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## SERBIA ACCEPTS SUGGESTION OF POWERS ON ALBANIAN AUTONOMY

### AUSTRIA MUST NOW EXPLAIN ARMAMENTS

Feared That Intention is to  
Force Serbia Into Position  
of Vassal State

### AN OTTOMAN COURIER ARRIVES IN LONDON

King George Receives All Dele-  
gates to Peace Conference  
at Buckingham Palace

London, Dec. 21.—When the peace  
envoys of the Balkan states and of  
Turkey met again in conference at St.  
James' Palace this afternoon, Serbia,  
on the suggestion of Great Britain,  
France and Russia, declared her readi-  
ness to accept the principle of Albanian  
autonomy by neutralization. This  
move has the object of making Aus-  
tria-Hungary explain the reason for  
her armaments and say what her ul-  
timate desires really are.

The fear is entertained in many  
quarters that Austria-Hungary is  
planning a scheme which, if it proves  
successful, will make Serbia a kind of  
vassal state. It is rumored that among  
other changes of a financial, commer-  
cial and economic character, Austria-  
Hungary intends to impose a limitation  
on the strength of the Serbian army  
which neither the Balkan league nor  
Russia would ever admit.

This situation, it is said, explains  
why Austria-Hungary is keeping  
twelve of her army corps on a war  
footing, four of them ready to cross  
the Serbian frontier, four of them in  
Gallia, near the Russian frontier, two  
in Bosnia and Herzegovina and two  
along the Italian frontier.

It is noticeable, according to the  
military experts, that notwithstanding  
the Triple Alliance during the last de-  
cade, Austria-Hungary has constantly  
augmented the strength of her troops  
along the Venetian and Tyrolean lines.

Courier Arrives.

The anxiously-awaited Ottoman  
courier has arrived from Constantinople  
bearing fresh instructions to the  
Turkish plenipotentiaries. In  
view of the forecast of these instruc-  
tions telegraphed from Constantinople  
it is feared their contents are likely to  
precipitate trouble.

There is little doubt, however, that  
the foreign ambassadors here during  
their "conversations," have made the  
necessary arrangements to intervene  
with the hope of preventing an irre-  
trievable rupture of the peace confer-  
ence until they have tried to bridge  
the gulf separating the allied Balkan  
nations from the Turks on the ques-  
tion of the future of Adrianople.

The peace delegates were received  
in audience to-day by King George at  
Buckingham Palace. Each delegation  
was received separately by His Ma-  
jesty, who in a few cordial words im-  
pressed the envoys with his earnest  
hope that success would attend their  
negotiations.

The agreement reached by the pow-  
ers on the subject of autonomy of Al-  
bania and in regard to the commercial  
outlet on the Adriatic Sea for Serbia  
has largely dissipated the nightmare  
of a European war.

The newspapers of Europe with vir-  
tual unanimity, hail this agreement,  
the first result of the ambassadorial  
"conversations" with the greatest sat-  
isfaction as marking the settlement of  
the larger crisis.

To-day's session, the fourth since  
the peace conferences were begun, was  
the longest yet held. The delegates met  
before them Turkey's fresh instructions  
empowering the Turkish plenipotentiaries  
to treat with the Grecian representatives  
on condition that Turkey be allowed to  
revivify the fortress of Adrianople.

It is understood the contention of the  
Balkan allies' delegation is that the  
question of revivifying the fortress  
was settled by the terms of the armistice,  
and that they have no power to  
interfere with these terms. Dr. S.  
Danoff, head of the Bulgarian delega-  
tion, said before the adjournment that  
it was uncertain whether the delegates  
would be able to reach a definite  
decision even on Monday.

An official communication of the  
progress of the peace conference is due  
to the fact that the Turkish envoys de-  
manded the revivification of the fortress  
of Adrianople as a primary step. The  
delegates of the allied Balkan nations  
replied that that was not a condition  
of the armistice drawn at Focstalia.

### MOROCCAN REBELS AND FRENCH TROOPS FIGHT IN MOGADOR.

Rabat, Morocco, Dec. 21.—  
Moroccan rebels in the Mogador  
district have surrounded the de-  
tachment of French troops, con-  
sisting of two companies of  
Zouaves, according to native  
advice received here. The  
troops are commanded by Cap-  
tain M. Massoutier, a cavalry  
officer attached to the Moroccan  
police. They are not in suf-  
ficient strength to break through  
the rebel ranks. Reinforcements  
are being sent to relieve them.

## DIAMOND DEALER FOUND MURDERED

### FOUR ARE ARRESTED FOR CHICAGO CRIME

Finger Marks Left on Safe Are  
Clues by Which Police  
Seek Conviction

Chicago, Dec. 21.—J. H. Logue, 55  
years old, president of J. H. Logue &  
Co., diamond dealers, was found mur-  
dered in his office in McVicker's theatre  
building yesterday afternoon. Robbery  
is believed to have been the motive for  
the crime. The body when found show-  
ed that the diamond dealer had been  
stabbed and beaten to death.

Much importance is attached by Cap-  
tain John J. Halpin to the arrests last  
night of Clyde Stratton, the ex-convict  
and fugitive from the Columbus peni-  
tentiary; Edward Hamden, arrested  
with Stratton, and two women, one  
claiming to be the wife of Hamden and  
the other the wife of "Toronto Jim"  
Johnson, a safeblower, now serving a  
twenty-year term in the Waupun, Wis.,  
Penitentiary.

F. A. Carnal, former district attorney  
of Hill county, Mont., saw two men  
rushing out of the building, where the  
crime was committed about the hour  
when the diamond broker was slain.  
His description of the two men led to  
the arrest of Stratton and Hamden in a  
North Side flat about twelve hours  
later. Both women under arrest are  
blondes and a blonde woman had been  
seen on many occasions in Logue's of-  
fice.

The motive for the crime puzzled the  
police for a time, but early to-day Cap-  
tain Halpin gave it as his opinion that  
robbery was the motive. Jewels and  
jewelry to the value of \$50,000 were said  
to be missing. The police said nothing  
could be learned in the man's life that  
would cause him to be murdered for re-  
venge.

Efforts will be made again to-day to  
photograph finger prints on the safe  
and vault.

Later the police arrested a chauffeur  
employed at a North Side garage, who  
is said to have driven Stratton and  
Hamden on a number of trips about  
the city.

Eight persons, four men and four  
women, are under arrest in connection  
with the murder, and the police are  
strongly inclined to believe that they  
have succeeded in breaking up a dan-  
gerous gang of automobile bandits. At  
least some of the prisoners are sus-  
pected of either participating in, or  
knowing something about nearly all  
of the daring safe-blowings and other  
criminal depredations that have taken  
place in Chicago in the last fortnight.

Early to-day search of the North Side  
flats where the suspects were arrested  
revealed a quantity of dynamite  
and nitro-glycerine caps used in dis-  
charging explosives were found. In  
addition a number of false keys and  
instruments for picking locks were  
found.

Police Captain Halpin prepared the  
following inventory of the articles  
found in the North Side flat:

Eighty-five pounds of dynamite, two  
quarts of nitro-glycerine, three dozen  
safety fuses, three bunches of  
skelton keys, six automatic pistols,  
three thousand dollars worth of parcels  
post stamps, five uncut diamonds, three  
thousand dollars worth of silverware,  
and one thousand dollars worth of  
jewelry.

### AN AMERICAN BRIDE ENTERS THE NOBILITY

London, Dec. 21.—Another American  
bride entered the ranks of the British  
nobility by the marriage of Margaret  
Eleanor Crosby, only daughter of the  
late Ernest Howard Crosby, to Lieut.  
William C. A. Vannock, of the  
thirteenth Hussars, at St. George's  
church, Hanover Square.

Lieut. Vannock is the nephew and  
heir-presumptive of the aged Baron  
Huntingfield. His father, who is the  
direct heir, is also aged.

## QUEEN OF GREECE TO VISIT AT ATHOS

### AN ANCIENT LEGEND AND RESCINDED RULE

First Woman Visitor to Twenty-  
One Monasteries in Fifteen  
Hundred Years

### BAN LIFTED AFTER COUNCIL OF MONKS

Holy Mountain Has Been  
Guarded Since Visit of Vir-  
gin Mary With Infant Christ

Vienna, Dec. 21.—The Neues Tage-  
blatt's Athens correspondent says  
Queen Olga, of Greece, intends to visit  
the twenty-one monasteries of Mount  
Athos, eighty miles to the south of  
Salonica, thus breaking the rule pro-  
hibiting women to visit the sacred  
mountain, which has been strictly ob-  
served for fifteen hundred years.

"The monks on the mountain," can-  
tinues the correspondent, "on many  
occasions have refused to permit royal  
ladies to visit them, always excusing  
themselves behind the legend that the  
Virgin Mary, with the infant Christ,  
visited there, and no woman had been  
allowed to do so since. But now that  
the Greeks have conquered, the King  
and Queen proposed a visit to the  
mountain. The monks summoned their  
council, and decided that they had no  
course but to rescind the rule.

"Mount Athos, or the Holy Moun-  
tain, was the centre of Greek theology  
and learning in the Middle Ages, and  
many masterpieces of ancient Greek  
literature still remain in the library.

The government gives the monks  
almost complete autonomy. Aside  
from the twenty-one monasteries on  
the mountain there are numerous grot-  
toes, cells and chapels.

"The monk population numbers sev-  
eral thousand. Many of them are her-  
mits and live in caves."

### AUTOMOBILE BANDITS GET WEEKLY PAY ROLL

New York, Dec. 21.—Four automobile  
bandits attacked two paymasters "of  
the Silk Finishing Company of Amer-  
ica on the lower West Side to-day,  
beat them into unconsciousness and  
robbed them of \$1,200 for the weekly  
payroll.

The robbers sprang out from behind  
an elevated railway pillar and at-  
tacked the two paymasters as they  
were walking from a bank to the of-  
fices of their company. After securing  
the money they jumped into a high-  
powered automobile and escaped. A dozen  
pedestrians saw the robbery.

### RETAIL PRICES CUT IN BATTLE OF EGGS

Chicago, Ills., Dec. 21.—Retailers have  
been forced to sell eggs from 8 to 10  
cents a dozen cheaper as a result of the  
egg campaign started yesterday by  
Chicago women to reduce the price of  
that product.

The bargain-day sales were continued  
to-day. To compete with the price  
asked by the women, the retail gro-  
cers have cut prices from 25 to 45 cents  
asked a week ago, to twenty, twenty-  
two, twenty-four, and twenty-five  
cents a dozen.

### HAMILTON ALDERMAN DIES VERY SUDDENLY

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 21.—Alderman  
James McKay died suddenly this  
morning. He was a candidate for re-  
election at the forthcoming municipal  
elections.

Alderman McKay played Santa Claus  
at a Christmas tree party at St.  
Joseph's church last night. He became  
overheated, wearing a large fur coat,  
and took a chill when being removed  
to his home in a cab. "I am sick, and  
think I am dying," he told his wife,  
and in a few minutes he was dead.

### FLYING TO ROME.

Trieste, Italy, Dec. 21.—Roland G.  
Garros, the French aviator, started on  
his flight from Rome to Paris to-day.  
He intends to make stops at Milazzo,  
Pizzo and Naples. Garros on Decem-  
ber 18, crossed the Mediterranean Sea  
in his aeroplane from Tunis to Tri-  
este, a distance of 160 miles.

### AMBASSADOR ARRIVES.

Seoul, Dec. 21.—Lars Anderson, the  
newly-appointed United States am-  
bassador to Japan, in succession to  
Charles Page Bryan, arrived here this  
evening.

## THEATRE

### COMING COMING IN A FEW DAYS THE GREAT MAGICIAN M'BRIDE WHO WILL SOLVE FOR THE LAST TIME HIS FAMOUS MYSTERY THE "SONCHEES"

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QUICK, AND SO  
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## OPPOSITION CHEERS AT SMALL MAJORITY

### Globe Lauds Amendment Re- jected by Fifty-Five Votes in Disestablishment Bill

London, Dec. 20.—The amendment to  
the Welsh Disestablishment Bill pro-  
viding for the leaving of globe lands  
to the church was the subject of a  
heated debate in the House of Com-  
mons to-day. Thirty Liberals abstained  
from voting, and the amendment  
was rejected by 277 votes to 222. The  
smallness of the majority resulted in  
prolonged opposition cheers.

Indignantly protesting against the  
government's surrender of national  
endowments without first consulting  
the Welsh parliamentary party, and  
against the English Liberals for forc-  
ing the government's hand, the Car-  
diff Disestablishment campaign com-  
mittee passed a resolution to that  
effect to-day.

## APPECIATION BY KING OF BULGARIA

### "Rest to Prepare for Fresh Honors" Says Ferdinand in Eulogy of Exploits

Sofia, Bulgaria, Dec. 21.—King  
Ferdinand of Bulgaria to-day address-  
ed an order to the army expressing his  
appreciation of the work of the troops  
during the campaign in Turkey. The  
order commences:

"By the conclusion of armistice be-  
tween the Turkish and the allied  
troops, the first period of the war with  
Turkey has been concluded."

After a lengthy eulogy of the me-  
morable exploits achieved, it concludes:  
"You should profit by the present  
moment to rest in order to prepare  
yourself for fresh honors, in which  
case no doubt you will cover your ban-  
ners with new and imperishable glory."

Special significance is attached in  
some quarters to the two sentences  
quoted which are read as a warning to  
Turkey that Bulgaria is still prepared  
to enforce her own peace terms.

## SCIENTIST WHO PERFORMED OPERATION ON CZAR'S SON ASKED A BOON OF RUSSIAN KING

### Requests That Jews May Set- tle in Odessa and Kieff for the Future

Berlin, Dec. 21.—Professor Israel, of  
Berlin, one of the world's most cele-  
brated specialists on kidney diseases,  
recently went to St. Petersburg and by  
an exceedingly delicate operation re-  
moved a tuberculous kidney from the  
heir-apparent to the throne of all the  
Russias. Prof. Israel is said to have  
received a fee of \$25,000 for the oper-  
ation. He also claimed as a boon the  
rescinding by the Czar of the laws pro-  
hibiting the settlement of Jews in  
Odessa and Kieff.

Although St. Petersburg physicians  
to the royal family correctly diagnosed  
the Czarvitch's ailment and knew the  
remedy, they hesitated to perform the  
operation. Czar Nicholas finally was  
persuaded to call Prof. Israel, and the  
immigration laws were set aside for the  
celebrated surgeon by royal edict.

He was escorted from and to the  
frontier by a special aide to the Czar.  
Prof. Israel operated alone and remain-  
ed in St. Petersburg only one day.

## GREEK COUNCIL TREE SAVED BY TRADITION

### Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 21.—Tradition and sentiment has saved a giant oak tree known as the Greek Council Tree, which stands in the centre of South Cheyenne street, in this city. An ordi- nance to pave the street was made re- cently, and some of the citizens want- ed the tree destroyed, but a decision to spare it was reached to-day.

Beneath the tree, it is said, are  
buried the sacred ashes of the Chero-  
kees brought from the old council  
ground in Georgia, when they came to  
Indian territory more than 75 years  
ago.

## WILSON AND BRYAN HOLD A CONFERENCE

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 21.—William J.  
Bryan met President-Elect Wilson, at  
the state house at 9:30 o'clock this  
morning. It was their second meeting  
since the Baltimore convention, the  
other being at Lincoln, Nebraska,  
October 8. Since then the Nebraskan  
has been talked about by politicians  
in connection with a portfolio in the  
cabinet, but not a word has come from  
Mr. Wilson since the election to show  
what his attitude was on the subject.

President-Elect Wilson announced  
after a three and a half hours' confer-  
ence that the name of the Nebraskan  
had not been mentioned in their dis-  
cussion of cabinet places.

## INTERNATIONAL ROUTE.

Fort William, Ont., Dec. 21.—A party  
of surveyors left this morning to  
survey a route for the international  
road between Fort William and Du-  
luth by spring. H. T. Hare, the man in  
charge, would not declare for whom he  
is working, nor would he say anything  
about his plan.

## EARTH SHOCKS AT CUBA.

Santiago de Cuba, Dec. 21.—Violent  
earthquake shocks were felt here at  
10:40 last night and again at 6:30  
o'clock this morning. Great alarm  
prevailed among the inhabitants of  
the city.

## PAYS LAST TRIBUTE TO REID'S MEMORY

### MILITARY HONORS FOR THE LATE AMBASSADOR

Minute Guns Fired as Proce-  
sion Leaves Dorchester  
House for Victoria Station

### HOMEWARD BORNE ON THE CRUISER NATAL

Nelson's Flagship Booms Sa-  
lute as Coffin is Carried  
Aboard by British Officers

London, Dec. 21.—The body of the  
American ambassador, Whitelaw Reid,  
was started on its journey to the United  
States to-day, and the highest mili-  
tary honors were paid to it as it left  
London. The coffin was placed on a  
gun carriage drawn by six horses, and  
driven by men of the Royal Horse  
Artillery. The Stars and Stripes were  
spread over the casket. Eight non-  
commissioned officers, acting as bear-  
ers, walked at each side.

As the procession started from Dor-  
chester House on its way to Victoria  
station a battery of horse artillery sta-  
tioned on the parade ground in St.  
James' Park fired a salute of nineteen  
guns.

A guard of honor drawn up inside  
Victoria station presented arms as the  
coffin was brought in. Gathered inside  
the depot was Major-General Sir Alfred  
E. Codrington, the commander of the  
London district, with his staff, the  
members of the American embassy and  
consulate-general, six aged civil war  
veterans bearing flags, Ogden Mills  
Reid, John Ward, the Earl of Gran-  
ard and a group of prominent Ameri-  
can residents. All stood uncovered  
while the coffin was placed on the cata-  
falque in the purple-draped car of the  
special train.

The staffs of the American embassy  
and consulate-general travelled on the  
same train to Portsmouth, where the  
coffin will be placed on board the Brit-  
ish armored cruiser Natal, which is to  
take it to New York.

Portsmouth, Eng., Dec. 21.—Full  
naval honors were paid to the body of  
Ambassador Reid on its arrival at this  
port from London. Admiral Sir Hed-  
worth Meux, the commander of the  
port, and all high naval officials sta-  
tioned here were present at the station  
when the train drew in. As it halted  
at the platform Nelson's flagship, the  
Victory, fired a salute of nineteen  
minute guns.

The coffin was borne across the jetty  
on the shoulders of eight petty offi-  
cers of the British navy, and taken on  
board the armored cruiser Natal, from  
the mainmast of which vessel the  
United States ensign was immediately  
broken.

The British armored cruiser Natal  
sailed out of Portsmouth harbor with  
the body of Ambassador Reid on board  
at half-past three this afternoon amid  
a salute of nineteen guns.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—Rear-  
Admiral Andrews, acting secretary of  
the navy to-day designated the bat-  
tleships Florida and North Dakota,  
with four destroyers now in New York  
harbor, as a special escort to the Brit-  
ish battleship Natal, which left Port-  
smouth, Eng., to-day, bringing the body  
of the late Ambassador Reid. No time  
has been set for the sailing of the  
American battleships, but they will  
meet the British ship off Nantuxet  
Island and convey her into New York  
harbor.

## C. P. R. MAKES LOCATION BY NORTHERN PACIFIC

Everett, Wash., Dec. 21.—The possi-  
bility that electric service in the north-  
west is proposed by the Canadian Pa-  
cific Railway Company was suggested  
yesterday when M. S. Holstead, an en-  
gineer employed by the C. P. R., locat-  
ed a water right one-half mile from  
Robe, on the Monte Cristo branch of  
the Northern Pacific. It is shown by  
the filing that the south fork of the  
Stillaguamish river, the water right  
held by application, is to be diverted  
by a dam and carried by dunes and  
pipe line a distance of ten and a half  
miles for use "in the generation of  
hydro-electric power."

## MOTOR CARS BURNED.

Calgary, Dec. 21.—Fire completely  
gutted the premises of the Motor  
Transportation Company at six o'clock  
this morning. Thirteen cars were  
burned. The loss is estimated at  
\$25,000. Insurance partly covers the  
damage.

## CARNEGIE PLANT DESTROYED.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 21.—The Car-  
negie plant of the Carbon Steel Com-  
pany at East Carnegie here was de-  
stroyed by fire early this morning with  
a loss of \$75,000.



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CRYSTALIZED METZ FRUIT, 1-lb. box...60c  
FRESH KILLED TURKEYS now in. Per lb. 30c  
FRESH KILLED GEESE will arrive Saturday. Per lb. ....20c  
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## PRIMITIVE TRIBES FOUND IN INDIA

Wild Men Live Near Snow  
Line Snaring Rats and  
Squirrels for Food

London, Dec. 21.—The British expedition under General Bower, which last year penetrated the Arbo country on the northeast frontier of India, for the purpose of punishing natives for the murder of a British political agent, has brought back some interesting information of that part of the world, and of the even less known district northward to the Chinese frontier. Before the advent of the Bower expedition, little was known of "this heart-breaking country," as A. Benthick, who accompanied General Bower, describes it, except that it was inhabited by backward tribes. Few Englishmen had penetrated so far, and the right of the Abors to turn travelers back was unquestioned.

After punishing the tribes for the murder of the political agent, for the British government has a way of impressing natives with the fact that British lives must be respected, the explorers pushed northward across deep valley clefts and hardly fordable rivers. One day they took seven hours to make six miles. They found primitive hill communities entirely unknown to Europeans, living on scanty crops, supplemented by rats and squirrels snared in the jungle, and heard from them of tribes who were said to barter with the Abors in human bodies. These wild men live close to the snow line, and the Abors spoke of them with disgust and contempt. Still further beyond the snow mountains they heard of another unknown country where the people live in wooden houses, and have neither horses nor yaks.

### ITALIAN BROKERS STRIKE.

Rome, Dec. 21.—The stock brokers through Italy are on strike. All the exchanges are closed; no quotation lists are issued, and stock exchange business is at a standstill. This unprecedented strike is due to Premier Giolitti's uncompromising remarks about the stock brokers at yesterday's sitting of the Chamber, when a law was passed increasing a stock broker's bonds to \$20,000.

### AN AVIATION FUND.

Berlin, Dec. 21.—A general managing committee of the National Aviation Fund has been organized under the chairmanship of Prince Henry of Prussia. The fund is being raised through popular subscriptions to purchase a fleet of aeroplanes for presentation to Emperor William.



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## PORTUGAL'S NATIONAL DEBT ON INCREASE

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Monarchy Was Overthrown

Lisbon, Dec. 21.—The Portuguese national debt has risen to \$750,000,000, which amounts to about \$140 for every inhabitant of the country. This is an increase of about \$12,500,000 since the monarchy was overthrown. Parliament re-assembled on November 12, instead of December 2, the date originally fixed, in order to deal with financial reforms proposed by the minister of finance.

These include a consolidation of the whole debt, internal, external and floating, at a five per cent. rate, an increased tax on land, an amendment of the contract with the Bank of Portugal, and for collecting customs dues at the current rate of gold exchange.

Under the new arrangement with the Bank of Portugal the paper currency will be increased by about \$35,000,000 over the present issue amounting to \$85,000,000, without increasing the metallic reserves. The government proposes in this way to obtain funds without fresh loans. The Bank of Portugal, upon the confirmation by parliament of the contract, will open a current account with the government of \$46,000,000, repayable in sixty years by semi-annual installments. The government has a programme of economies amounting to \$3,890,000.

The Republican government came into power with the public finances in a deplorable state. The expenditures were already in excess of income, and every department of the public administration was in arrears.

Dr. Theophile Braga, who was president of the provisional republic, says in an interview:

"The public monies are improperly handled, and to my knowledge, considerable sums of money to the government's credit have been lost—lost and forgotten in a certain bank. Seeing the incompetence of the Portuguese financial ministers, it might be well to import a skilled Chancellor of the Exchequer from abroad. What Portugal requires is a surgeon."

### MILITARY REORGANIZATION.

Colonel Roy is Busy Inspecting Now and in January Will Reorganize Whole District.

Colonel Alexander Roy has spent the two weeks since he took up his duties as commanding officer of this district in inspecting the various units in Victoria and Vancouver both on parade and as to the condition of their quarters. He has also, in company with the district engineer, been studying the plans for the new drill halls both for Vancouver and Victoria.

In January he will take up the reorganization of the district and the creation of several new units is promised.

### THE SEAL ACT.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The view of the administration is that unless the agreement reached with Japan and Great Britain for the protection of the seal herds in the North Pacific is in full realization and the seal treaty perhaps itself be lost, it will be necessary for congress during the present session to amend the Seal Act and remove the five-year restriction of killing of male seals on the Pribiloff Islands.

## ARTHUR HAWKES FOR LAURIER NAVAL POLICY

Leader of "British Born"  
Movement in Favor of a  
Canadian Navy

Montreal, Dec. 21.—Arthur Hawkes, who edits the weekly paper, Canadian and British News of Canada, which is published here, and who made a special campaign against reciprocity among the "British-born" residents of Canada, in this week's issue of his paper upholds Sir Wilfrid Laurier's old naval policy and at the same time condemns the policy propounded by Premier Borden.

In part he says: "At the time of writing the debate in the House of Commons has not begun. The Liberal members, it has been stated, are unanimously against the principle of a contribution, but will gladly vote the amount named by the Premier for an expansion of the policy on which all parties agreed in 1909, and of which the naval service inaugurated by Sir Wilfrid Laurier is the concrete expression.

"There is no disputing the special situation in which Britannic naval defence finds itself. If the Canadian government, in consultation with the British Admiralty, were to ask for a vote of five, ten, twenty, fifty millions to be spent by the Admiralty, I would hold up both hands for it, as an emergent declaration of faith and works.

"To what extent time is of the essence of our action only those who are clothed with responsibility and knowledge can know. They must tell us frankly: they must show that they know their own mind and that they are as willing to risk everything as if they were on a warship engaged by the enemy. If they have convictions they must stake their governmental existence on them. If they have not any convictions they should say so and go look in the wilderness for some.

"A willingness to vote a contribution to Downing street is only an incident in the situation. Unless our talk about Canada being a nation's 'quintessence of poppycock' we must improve, not destroy, whether it means that mere sundry legislators will have to change the mind in which they spoke within the last year or two. After all, the interests of the nation are a little bigger than the verbal consistency of a few men who were distinguished by the irresponsibility of opposition. We are up against a national, a Britannic situation that must be met in a national, Britannic way. Speed-ahead and lash the tiller."

### ROYAL ARCANUM INITIATES.

Grand Officers From Seattle and Tacoma Exemplified Ritual.

Unusual interest attached to the initiation last evening of a new class of members of the Majestic council of the Royal Arcanum inasmuch as the officers of the Grand Council of Washington, Idaho and British Columbia attended in force to exemplify the ritual of the initiation. The members of the degree team came from Seattle and Tacoma and during the day were given a drive about the city and, after the initiation, were entertained at supper by the local members of the lodge, Mayor Beckwith, who is a member of the Arcanum, presiding.

The visitors were: G. O. Snider, grand regent; J. W. Harry, deputy grand regent; T. H. Brown, grand secretary; George F. Aust, E. S. Norman and L. D. Picot. Captain Fraser, regent of the majestic council, presided at the initiation.

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America and England

Lisbon, Portugal, Dec. 21.—Portugal  
has now turned its attention to build-  
ing up its navy, and some of the money  
so expended is pretty sure to go to  
America.

American and British shipbuilders  
have been asked to submit bids for a  
number of small vessels, the building  
of which is to be followed by the con-  
struction of some larger ships, the  
plans for which are now being pre-  
pared. The first vessels to be built are  
two cruisers of 2,500 tons each; four  
destroyers of from 800 to 900 tons, and  
two or four submarines.

Agents of American shipyards are  
already busy examining the plans with  
a view to submitting bids against their  
only competitors, the British. The lat-  
ter firm, it is learned, are so crowded  
with work that their figures are not  
expected to be as low as they might  
be under other circumstances, though  
the \$5,000,000 to be spent on these ships  
will be an inducement to some of the  
smaller yards.

The Portuguese navy department has  
not yet decided what class of larger  
ships it will build, cruisers or battle-  
ships, but has decided that \$40,000,000  
will be spent on them. It is possible  
that it will ask contractors to sub-  
mit plans for certain classes of ships  
and accept what are considered the  
best.

### NAVAL SECRETS SOLD

#### TO FOREIGN POWERS

How Ex-Gunner's Trips to Os-  
tend and Bank Account  
Were Watched

London, Dec. 21.—The British naval  
authorities have been considerably per-  
turbed of late over the way in which  
minor secrets of British ships have  
been reaching foreign powers, and par-  
ticularly Germany, the spies from  
which country, it is asserted, are al-  
ways prepared with the biggest prices  
for anything pertaining to naval mat-  
ters.

There have been several prosecutions  
of civilians charged with communica-  
ting these secrets to foreign powers,  
and one or two men under suspicion  
have been dropped from the navy.  
More importance is attached to the re-  
cent arrest of George C. Parrott, an  
ex-gunner of the navy, one of the class  
of petty officers who, under recent re-  
gulations, are in line for promotion to  
the commissioned ranks.

Parrott, it was found, while doing  
duty at the school of gunnery, made  
trips to Ostend, where, according to  
evidence given against him, he was  
met by a foreigner, with whom he spent  
the evening, returning to England the  
same night. As it is against the regu-  
lations for a bluejacket or petty of-  
ficer to leave England without leave,  
Parrott's name was removed from the  
navy list, and some months later the  
police having discovered that he re-  
ceived letters from the continent with  
money enclosed, under an assumed  
name, he was arrested.

It was also found that Parrott had  
deposited considerable sums of money  
at his bank. One of the points of evi-  
dence against the prisoner is that the  
bank notes he received had on one oc-  
casion or another been sent to Ger-  
many. This evidence was made pos-  
sible by the fact that at all banks a  
memorandum is made of the numbers  
of Bank of England notes in the bank's  
possession, and the disposition made of  
them. In this case two of the notes  
had been paid out to travelers, who had  
changed them in Germany.

### MARCONI COMPANY.

London, Dec. 21.—Apprehension is  
felt that the Marconi Company of Can-  
ada, by its acquisition some days ago  
of the exclusive rights in wireless  
telegraphy in Newfoundland, had there-  
by set up a monopoly of the wireless  
system across the Atlantic.

Archer Shee questioned the govern-  
ment yesterday as to whether the  
agreement applied to trans-Atlantic  
stations, and if so what steps they  
proposed to take in the matter.

Captain Norton replied that certain  
exclusive rights had been given to the  
Canadian company, but whether they  
constituted a monopoly it was diffi-  
cult to say without a copy of the  
agreement.

### AUSTRALIAN NAVAL AFFAIRS.

Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 21.—The visit  
of Hon. Mr. Allen, New Zealand Min-  
ister of Defence, who will have an im-  
portant conference with Hon. Mr.  
Pearce, Australian Minister of Defence,  
and the Commonwealth general staff  
early next week, is strengthening the  
hopes for complete naval and military  
co-operation between the two Domin-  
ions at the earliest possible date. The  
chief obstacle seems to be that many  
New Zealanders fear lest the joint de-  
fence policy should be used as a wedge  
to promote closer political union.

### OPIMUM FIEND FINED \$500.

Montreal, Dec. 21.—A record fine for  
a "dope fiend" was that imposed by  
Recorder Geoffrion on George Goyals.  
Goyals was arrested yesterday and  
two large packages of cocaine found  
in his pockets. He had been previous-  
ly accused of selling the drug, and the  
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More than two thousand years ago Alexander the Great crossed the Hellespont, and marching irresistibly over the ashes of what were even then dead empires, extended his dominion to the Indus. To-day another conquest in that classic domain is in progress, a conquest, also, in which an army is engaged. But the army is composed of railway navvies and the officers are construction engineers and contractors. In our columns a few days ago appeared an interesting article describing the work of linking up Constantinople with the valley of the Euphrates, or the Mesopotamia of the ancients, by what is known as the Baghdad railway, a composite enterprise in which Germany is principally concerned.

When the iron horse with its retinue of cars, laden with passengers and freight, thunders across that historic territory, what a jar it will give to the savants who are still gazing across the centuries at the lives, conditions and achievements of shadowy antiquity. Imagine, if you can, a modern railway passing through what archaeologists have located as the Garden of Eden. Will modern progress spare that sacred region, or will somebody attempt to subdivide? Fancy Babylon and Nineveh regenerated as railroad towns, irreconcilable rivals, the press of each catering for the tourist trade on the strength of its ancient glory and wealth of classic association. We can almost see the Nineveh Gazette assailing the memory of the Lion of Babylon by a spiteful reference to that unfortunate mental lapse during which Nebuchadnezzar imagined himself a quadruped of some kind and restricted his diet to grass. Or one can imagine the Babylonian Times' withering report that Nebuchadnezzar wiped Nineveh off the map, which was proof positive that in his lucid moments he was an individual of some capacity in those brave ancient days.

And the Baghdad railway is to have branch lines penetrating the Holy Land, cutting at Damascus and even Jerusalem. What an El Dorado it will be for the tourist! And what an incentive it will be to the study of ancient history! Surely modern progress is a wonderful thing. It is also somewhat of a juggernaut which rolls remorselessly over our most cherished customs, sacred traditions and historic associations.

One outcome of that railroad is certain. It will dethrone the Turk in his Asiatic stronghold. It is a wedge driven through the very vitals of Mohammedanism. It has, also, another aspect. From time immemorial the east has poured its invading hordes over the west. Now it is the west which invades the east. Surely Time brings its revenges.

### THEY ARE GETTING ON.

Political events in Great Britain are developing rapidly and leaving a record of absorbing interest. The Young Tories are revealing their hand in a manner which is likely to prove highly disconcerting to their more elderly and more cautious brethren.

What is the nature of the programme which Mr. Bonar Law and Mr. F. E. Smith sometimes hint at in a hesitating manner in their speeches, and Mr. Austin Chamberlain outlines in a more direct manner? From fragments of statements made by these three lights of "progressive" Toryism the conclusion may be drawn that there is an alliance between the Bonar element in Canada and the Imperialists of Great Britain for the purpose of imposing taxes upon the food of the British people, and that they all indulge in the hope that Australia may be drawn into the intrigue. From the utterances of Chamberlain's statements this seems to be a very forlorn hope indeed. Australia a few years ago was inclined to lend an ear to the wooing of these Imperialists, so-called, but she now occupies substantially the

held by Sir Wilfrid Laurier at the first Imperial Conference at which the question of the relations between the dominions and the Mother Country was discussed. This is a fact which may be verified by anyone who has closely followed the events of recent years, and notes the uncompromising position of Australia to-day.

An attempt has been made to entrap Australian statesmen into an attitude that would give color to the impression that they are willing to attend a conference at which the question of food taxes would be discussed. If they could be inveigled into a conference of that kind, advantage would be taken of the fact by the Young Tories to proclaim the false impression that the dominions took part in the construction of a protective tariff for the United Kingdom, and that the movement was therefore an Imperial affair.

The Canadian Jingo is less careful about committing themselves to any such proposition. According to Chamberlain, the position in which they have placed Canada is no mere coincidence, and therefore they are committed to the programme as far as it goes. How far it goes coming events will probably make clear, unless in the meantime the logical result follows.

That possibility has already been outlined by Mr. F. E. Smith, one of the leaders of the British Conservative party. It is no less than the disintegration of the party over the very issue the younger and less responsible element has raised. Well, better that the party should fall in pieces than that the grave danger of dissolution of the Empire should be incurred, which might follow if temporary success should crown the efforts of these reckless and irresponsible and desperate politicians. Because just as sure as the relations between the Mother Country and the Dominions become an issue between the political parties in the various parts of the Empire bickerings will arise respecting the parts the different portions are playing in the programme of Imperialism, ill-feeling will be engendered, jealousies will be aroused, and the inevitable result will be far from tending to closer union and ultimate consolidation.

Take that fool utterance of Mr. Smith that America offered a splendid bribe to Canada in the reciprocity agreement. Could anything more idiotic have been said respecting an arrangement under which the people of two countries were to permit food to pass untaxed across the border? And the reward proposed to Canadians for rejecting that agreement is that the British people shall tax the food they eat! That is latter-day statesmanship!

### SHIPBUILDING IN CANADA.

The correspondence between Mr. Borden and Mr. Churchill, published in this paper yesterday, dashes the hope that the government contemplated the promotion of shipbuilding yards in Canada as a part of its naval policy. Mr. Churchill does not go any farther than to state that the Admiralty would be prepared to invite tenders from "approved" Canadian firms for the construction of a certain class of vessels. But, he adds, "progress with this policy would have to depend upon the prices quoted being reasonable, having regard to all the circumstances, and also on the time required for construction not being excessive as compared with the dates fixed for completion of similar ships in England."

Upon this frail foundation it is asserted in some quarters friendly to the government that the new policy provides for the encouragement of Canadian shipbuilding. But neither in Mr. Borden's naval bill nor in the speech in which he introduced it is there an assurance that his government proposes to promote shipyards that would be considered by the Admiralty as "approved" establishments; that would quote prices that would be deemed "reasonable," or that would give anything like dispatch in the construction of the vessels. Such provision would be part of a permanent policy, and Mr. Borden has just stated that he would embark upon no permanent policy until it was submitted to the people. His personal opinion, as expressed in the House of Commons, is that Canada could not build up an effective naval organization within fifty years, and in this he refers to the establishment of an industry capable of constructing warships as well as the other essentials of an effective organization.

But fact not ridiculous that Mr. Borden should ask the Admiralty to give orders for the construction of ships in Canada when he does not propose to do so himself? If he has no confidence in the ability of Canadians to build ships, as is shown by his proposals and his speech, it is scarcely generous to put it up to the Admiralty. Mr. Churchill clearly sees this and has rejected his suggestion. It is such a call, about with conditions which make it impossible for us to expect anything along that line.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier's policy is clearly defined. He would place fleet units on the Pacific and Atlantic coasts. The immediate start would be made in the development of a shipbuilding industry which could turn out ships of war. In this connection we can state authoritatively that several large British

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firms were ready to establish plants on both coasts if the Canadian government would give them orders for the construction of ships. Mr. Borden and Mr. Haen are both fully aware of this, but, instead, they have committed themselves to a proposal which will make it impossible to have ships built in our waters.

Sir Wilfrid's policy is the only logical one. It means the building up of a Canadian naval organization which in a few years would be a really effective force. It would develop our physical resources and the resourcefulness of our people. It would provide adequate naval protection for the Pacific Coast. This is what Australia is doing. Why not Canada?

It will be worth taking a trip on that Baghdad railway when it is in operation just to hear the brakeman call out the names of the stations.

A two million dollar consignment of silk arrived on the Bellerophon from the Orient a day or two ago. It is now being rushed across the continent to New York, and no doubt a large part of it will reach the centres of the old world. What becomes of it? Watch the Delineator next season.

Had ex-Mayor Morley been present in the Victoria theatre the other night when Mayor Beckwith presented medals to the local lads who competed at Stockholm what an opportunity there would have been for the two to settle their differences "once and for all!" It would have been a continuous affair—no three-round one minute rest event.

Several months ago Hon. H. E. Young announced the appointment of a president for the British Columbia university "in the near future." A roving commission made a jaunt to the big university centres of Canada and the United States and, we presume, they earned their money by making a nomination. Why does the minister not announce the nominee's name? Is it not satisfactory to the patronage committee?

Two more shopping days intervene between now and Christmas. Let us hope the public have been thoughtful enough to have done the bulk of their purchasing before this. A little consideration for hundreds of clerks will enable them to enter into the season's festivities with something like pleasure. Otherwise Christmas Day will find them in a condition of extreme exhaustion. Rushing them off their feet and harassing their overworked nerves at the last minute is nothing less than a species of torture.

### TWO NEW BANK BRANCHES.

Royal Opens Offices—Will Soon Start Work on New Building.

The Royal Bank of Canada has opened two new branches in Victoria, one at the corner of Douglas and Cormorant streets, under the management of W. L. Simpson, late of Tottenham, Ont., and the other at 1119 Fort Street, the manager of the latter being H. W. Morden, until recently in charge of the branch at Hope, B. C. The Royal Bank has purchased the northeast corner of Cook and Fort streets, on which site a handsome new office will be started early in the new year.

### BUILDING PERMITS.

Have Passed \$400,000 Mark for Month of December—Prospects of Reaching \$500,000 Value.

The total building permits for the month of December passed the \$400,000 mark to-day. A quarter of a million dollars is still required before the year-end. There have been 66 permits issued during the month of December, including two to-day to William Evans for a six-roomed dwelling house on Quadra street, costing \$2,400, and a five-roomed house on Forbes street, costing \$1,400.

The permit for the British Columbia Permanent Loan block, at the corner of Douglas street and Johnson street, is expected this month, and if it comes, the desired total for 1912 will be easily reached.

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### DELIGHTFUL SWEATERS FOR LITTLE GIRLS



HERE is a line that should be of interest to most parents. It is a difficulty to keep the young people warm and comfortable, but here is a line of garments that will help materially to solve the problem. They are all-wool garments of the best quality, and although the price has the appearance of being a little steep, the quality of the sweaters more than offsets it. They will last from two to three times as long as the cheaper grades, and will give better satisfaction all the time.

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### An Umbrella is a Present That Most Men Will Welcome

AND HERE ARE SOME GOOD ONES AT REASONABLE PRICES

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AT \$2.00 and \$2.50, the lines are similar in appearance to those marked at \$3.00 to \$4.00, and although not such a good quality, they are fine values for the money, and will give you satisfaction. Quite a variety of styles to choose from.

AT \$3.00, \$3.50 AND \$4.00, we have a very desirable line of Gloria covered umbrellas with steel frames and choice handles in mission or cherry woods. They are neatly decorated, well finished, and are a dependable quality.

AT \$1.50, we can show to you some excellent values in Gloria covered umbrellas with steel frames. Some of these are self opening, have steel frames and rods. The handles are plain and neat, and the whole umbrella is very substantially built. We consider them an exceptional value at the price.

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EARLY Friday morning, over 100 dozen of the most pleasing little aprons were taken from their tissue paper packing and are now ready for your inspection. This is the third large shipment that we have received, and it is really wonderful where they are all going to. No sooner are they displayed in the window or in the show room than they are sold and there is no strong demand as ever for them. No doubt the beautiful designs in which they come, the extra quality and the reasonable prices at which they are marked are responsible for this rapid selling.

Just what you may be wanting to wear at the Christmas party or to give to your friends. Some of them are finished with bias and others without. Dozens of pretty designs to choose from and the prices start as low as 35c each and range up to .....\$2.50

### Wool or Kid Gloves for Men and Boys

GOOD for Christmas presents or for your own use, and now is the time when you want them most. When you can add to your comfort at a very small extra expense it is a matter worth consideration; and you can't wish for a better assortment than you will find at the Spencer store.

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## BRIEF NEWS OF THE CITY

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Hanna & Thomson, Pandora Ave.—Leading funeral furnishing house. Connections, Vancouver, New Westminster and Winnipeg.

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S. P. C. A.—Cases of cruelty to person. Inspector Russell, 1221, secretary, L1733.

Contractors, Look!—CHOICE FIRE DOORS, WINDOWS, GLASS, etc., in stock. R. A. Green & Co., Phone 2851. Shop at 1185 North Park street. Estimates free.

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Announcement.—Mr. George W. Fuggle wishes to announce that he has returned to Victoria after a brief absence, and is again prepared to do practical piano tuning and repairing. He also wishes to thank his many patrons for their past patronage and a continuance of same, and trusts he will have the pleasure of meeting many of the new-comers Victoria feels so proud of. Communications by mail or telephone, or the same may be left at Fletcher Bros. music store, Government street, and will receive prompt attention. Phone L321, or P. O. Box 309.

Will Cost \$16,000.—When the report of the building committee of the Duncan Agricultural Society is presented at the general meeting on Saturday afternoon it is expected that the cost of the new building for the fair grounds will be in the neighborhood of \$16,000.

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Service of Praise.—To-morrow evening Christmas service of praise will be held at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, at which the choir will render special music, including several selections from the Messiah. The soloists will be Mr. and Mrs. Codd, Mrs. Longfield, Miss Blakeway, Mr. Mogridge and Mr. Melville.

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## TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Victoria Times, December 21, 1887.

Henry Croft, M. P. P., and Mrs. Croft, have left Chemainus for Victoria, where they will spend the winter months.

The Hon. Justice and Mrs. Walkem have returned to the city from the Mainland.

Post Office Inspector Fletcher returned from Vancouver last night. Tenders will be received up to Wednesday next for amending and graveling Montreal street, from Niagara street to Dallas road.—Adv.

Mr. Thomas Gardiner, who established the Daily and Weekly Times in 1884, is a prominent real estate agent in San Diego and Coronado, in which places he has netted a handsome fortune in a few months.

Notice is given that at the next session of the legislature the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway will apply for leave to introduce a bill enabling them to construct a branch line from a point on the line between Esquimalt and Goldstream to Pedder Bay.

The race between Charles Bush and Capt. Hansen will be rowed at three o'clock to-morrow afternoon over the usual course. Bush will row in a sliding seat, outrigger skiff; Capt. Hansen will use a skiff with a stationary seat.

Y. M. C. A. Classes.—The Business Men's Bible Class committee of the Y. M. C. A. met last night to make final arrangements in connection with the Wednesday evening lectures which are to be given by the Dean of Columbia after January 1.

Miss Gulland's Kindergarten.—Yesterday afternoon Miss Gulland held the closing exercises for her kindergarten and preparatory school, over thirty of the little children giving a very delightful entertainment. Duets, dancing, and recitations filled in a most enjoyable programme for which a large number of the children's parents were present. Some of the pupils' work was on exhibition, and was very much admired by the parents.

Glove Bonds can be procured here redeemable in merchandise of any kind, at Victoria and Vancouver stores. J. N. Harvey, Ltd., 614 Yates Street.

Cancel Meeting.—The meeting of the history class of the Agnes Deane Cameron Chapter, Daughters of the Empire, which was set for the evening of December 23, has been cancelled.

Fine Programme.—The programme of the sacred concert to be given by Rowland's concert band at Victoria theatre on Sunday evening, will no doubt prove to be a popular one, as it will include such selections as "Bohemian Girl," "Light Cavalry," one of Sousa's marches and a novellette, "In the Shadows," by Finck. There will be vocal solos by Madam Burnett and Dr. A. C. Lotbiniere Harwood.

Oriental Home Closing.—Yesterday afternoon a Christmas tree was given at the Oriental home, about thirty-three of the pupils being present from the kindergarten and senior classes. The members of the advisory board were present as guests, and a delightful programme of songs and recitations was given by the little people, Miss Martin, Miss Smith, and other teachers handing down the presents. School will not resume until after the New Year.

One Candidate Passed.—Hugh B. Andrews was the only candidate at the recent examination in Victoria for the federal civil service who passed the qualifying examination. These passed the preliminary examination for the outside service, William J. Beeston, George C. Bloomfield, Hobbs C. Bunt, John H. Callow, Francis Corbin, Walter H. Liddard, William A. Noon, George P. Riley, Arthur L. Robinson, Henry M. Stewart, Sydney R. Webb and Dorothy West.

Belmont Church Concert.—One of the most successful concerts ever given in the district was that held on Thursday evening by the Belmont avenue church choir, an appreciative audience filling the auditorium to capacity, and an excellent sum being added to the fund which is being collected for new choir music. The following was the programme: Flute solo, Mrs. Townsend; selection, choir; solo, Miss Griffiths; recitation, Mr. Thomas; solo, Mrs. Pravy; selection, orchestra; solo, J. Morris Thomas; cello solo, A. Parfitt; recitation, Mrs. Gleason; solo, Mrs. Irish; selection, orchestra; solo, Mrs. Jackson; duet, Miss Bayliss and Mr. Stewart; solo, Mrs. Humber; quartette, Madam Pravy & Jackson, Messrs. Stewart & Morell; recitation, Mrs. Gleason; and solo, Mr. Brindle.

## Charming Gifts that call for but Modest Outlay

In the hunt for suitable Christmas gifts—the hunt that is now at high tension—stop for a moment and consider the complete suitability of such articles as are to be found in a well equipped music store. Almost any friends of yours, from children of tender years to elderly folk, will be happier and richer for a gift that you can select at comparatively small cost from

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# Along the Waterfront

Shipping News from Day to Day

## OIL-TANKER HITS HARD AT SEATTLE

### DRAKE PLOUGHS INTO SANDS OF HARBOR ISLAND

Attempt to Float Vessel Proves Unsuccessful—Wind Carries Her Ashore

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 21.—While the big steel oil tanker, Col. E. L. Drake, of the Standard Oil Company, Capt. Badger, early yesterday afternoon was leaving the East Waterway for San Francisco, the vessel struck on the northeastern end of Harbor Island, ploughing her way deep into the sandy shores. The Drake struck shortly after high water, and the receding tide left her bows high and dry and caused the big tanker to list to starboard.

Capt. Badger had backed his vessel out of the waterway from the Standard Oil dock and was turning her about to head down the Sound when she struck on the sand spit which runs well out from Harbor Island on its northeastern shore.

A strong wind carried the stern of the tanker ashore, Capt. Badger evidently mistaking the location of the sand spit.

The Drake completed discharging at Tacoma, having gone to that port after unloading her cattle cargo. She returned from up Sound at 10:45 yesterday morning.

The Standard Oil tanker, Capt. A. F. Lucas, which arrived in Seattle yesterday noon from San Francisco, hurried to the assistance of the stranded Drake and for several hours made an effort to pull her into deep water. The Drake's stern was shifted a considerable distance but her bow remained imbedded in the shore.

The Lucas, Capt. Bunting, after pulling at the tanker for several hours, abandoned her attempts to free the Drake and returned to the Standard Oil dock to discharge her cargo. Another attempt to float the Drake will be made at high tide to-day.

### CAPTAIN TELLS OF TROUBLE WITH BIG ICE FLOE OFF HORN

Portland, Dec. 21.—How the British barque Metropolis, reaching the river from Buenos Ayres a few days ago, after a passage of 133 days, had to ice around among a sea of gigantic icebergs for six weeks off Cape Horn before clearing them, constantly threatened to be sent to the bottom. The vessel, as related by Captain John Abbit, her master, who is in the city from Astoria on a short business trip. The Metropolis is at Astoria undergoing repairs, and as soon as they are completed, she will come to Portland to begin loading grain for the United Kingdom.

Captain Abbit says the first berg he sighted was four or five miles in length and it stood 1,000 feet, as near as could be estimated, above the surface of the water. It is described as simple being a huge mountain of ice. The weather was clear, but only a light wind stirred, making it difficult for the ship to be handled readily. From 3 o'clock in the morning until late in the afternoon the berg remained dangerously close, the vessel finally passing safely by it a mile to the northward.

A few days later, on August 21, numerous other icebergs, but not so large as the first, threatened to block the passage of the Metropolis. The captain says there must have been 200 of them. They appeared to be in every direction as far as the eye could reach. Every moment there was danger of the barque drifting into one of them. It was necessary to keep changing her course continually to avoid a kept on duty.

To make matters worse, a terrific gale sprang in the first week in September. The steering gear was disabled and the topmasts were carried away. Bergs loomed up everywhere, and it took the best of seamen's skill to keep the bark from bowing into one of them and going to her doom. After the howl subsided the weather turned bitterly cold. The mercury in the thermometers carried on board failed to register after showing 22 degrees below zero.

Sprays from the sea froze on the sails, rigging, deck and sides of the craft until she resembled a ship of solid ice. It no longer was possible to keep the vessel on any special course, she simply drifted. The sailors could do nothing but try to keep themselves from freezing to death. But they escaped with nothing more severe than frostbitten fingers and toes. Three days these conditions lasted.

The Metropolis was within sight of the Horn on three different occasions before she eventually reached the Pacific, October 15, and she got as far south as 60 degrees.

### CITY OF PANAMA BRINGS SMALL FIGURE AT SALE

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 21.—The old Pacific mail liner City of Panama, until a few weeks ago in active service, was sold yesterday for \$10,050 to L. Bencovich, the only condition of the sale being that the vessel will not be used again under his own power. The steamer was built in 1872.

### NORTHUMBRIA IS ON OVERDUE LIST

Out 37 days, the British steamship Northumbria, which loaded a flour and lumber cargo at Portland, has failed as yet to arrive at Murean, Japan, from Vancouver, where she stopped to coal and to take on a consignment of salt fish. It is said that no uneasiness is being felt over the long passage, and there probably will not be until she has been out 40 days. Under ordinary weather conditions a steamer of her type would complete the run in 20 days. All of the freighters have been making long passages the last month or so.

### HAROLD LOSES PART OF LUMBER ON DECK

British Barque Reaches Cape Town Damaged—Was Here Some Months Ago

With the greater portion of her deckload of lumber gone and much damage to her sails, rigging and deck fixtures, the British barque Harold, Capt. Charlton, has arrived at Cape Town from Vancouver with her cargo of lumber. Related reports state that she reached the South African port on November 26. She made the long passage in 36 days, which is fairly smart for a vessel of the Harold's class.

The barque, which is well-known here, encountered heavy weather off this coast, but did not sustain any damage until she was nearing Cape Horn. The weather in that latitude was very severe, and the great seas which pounded the vessel caused the lashings of the deckload to part, with the result that much of the lumber was taken over the side. As the huge timbers were lifted by the seas they struck the bulwarks and cabins, and worked damage. Sails were carried away by the terrific force of the wind.

Brought Coal Here. Last spring the Harold brought a cargo of coal from Wales to Esquimalt, and while discharging there was chartered to load a cargo of lumber at Hastings Mills for Cape Town. To-day the British ship Claverdon, Capt. Wilson, is 136 days out from London with a cargo of general merchandise for R. V. Winch & Company. Shipping men expect to see her along before the end of the year.

### FRISCO'S CHARTERS.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 21.—The Norwegian steamer Mathilda, which was reported Wednesday as chartered by Balfour, Guthrie & Co. for lumber from Puget Sound to Shanghai at \$6, was chartered yesterday by the same firm at \$3, for a voyage in May, 1913, from the Sound to Sydney.

The British steamer Inver, under charter to G. W. McNear for nine months, will be loaded by McNear on Puget Sound for Australia.

The British steamer Inver, has been taken on time charter by Scott, Henderson & Co. She will come from Valparaiso to Eureka to load lumber for Australia, and will finish her cargo on Puget Sound.

The schooner Aluhna, now loading on Grays Harbor for Lebu, was fixed by Hind, Rolph & Co. for July-August loading on Grays Harbor or Puget Sound for Valparaiso, at \$25 a day, with the option of New Zealand at the same rate.

The German ship Steinbeck, en route from Hamburg to Santa Rosalia, has been chartered by M. H. Houser for wheat from Portland to the United Kingdom at \$75 a day. This is the lowest rate for that business for many months.

The schooner Balfour has been fixed for lumber from Grays Harbor to Valparaiso for orders at \$55.

The schooner William H. Talbot, from the Columbia River to Callao at \$55 a day, and the schooner Winslow from the Columbia River to two ports in Peru at \$55, are among new charters.

## NO DAY OF MIRTH FOR SHIPPING MEN

### FLEET OF LINERS DUE IN ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Pilots, Stevedores and Agents Will All Be Kept Busy—Heavy Week Ahead

Christmas Day is a day of mirth and happiness. This is an old and familiar song to most, and while it may be applicable to the majority of Victoria there is a certain class here, which, unfortunately, will not be able to join in the chorus. This class consists of the men who look after the steamships coming to this port. Their Christmas celebrations will be disturbed by a fleet of liners which will tie up at the water docks on Wednesday next.

Pilots, stevedores and steamship agents will have a broken day on Christmas. Last year the docks were clear on the day of days, but, unfortunately things show a tendency to double up this Christmas.

So far shipping men have lined up four boats that will be here on Wednesday next, and it is quite possible that several others will be in port that day. The Blue Funnel liner Taitlybus, Capt. Allen, is due out in the morning, as well as the Pacific coast steamer Umatilla, Capt. Reilly. In the afternoon or evening the Zealandia, Capt. Phillips, of the Canadian-Australian line, and the R. M. S. Empress of Japan, Capt. Robinson, will clear for foreign ports. The Hellenophon, also of the Blue Funnel fleet, and the Harrison liner Cordova may also be in port on Christmas Day.

Stocking Loaders. All steamships which are leaving here a few days in advance of Christmas are stocking their larders with turkeys, mince-meat, plum-puddings and the other trimmings required to make their dinners complete. Many vessels heading in this direction will spend Christmas on the high seas, and no doubt many interesting stories will be told by the passengers and crew of their Christmas spent at sea.

Next week will be a busy one in shipping, and as usual the bulk of the boats will be in on Wednesday. Some time to-morrow the Harrison liner Crown of Cordova will arrive from European ports, via San Francisco, and she is bringing a big cargo north. On Tuesday the Mexico Maru, Capt. Kobayashi, of the Osaka line, will sail for Oriental ports with a full cargo. Wednesday will see the Taitlybus, Empress of Japan, Zealandia and Umatilla all depart. The former goes to Liverpool, the Empress to Oriental ports, the Zealandia to the Antipodes and the Umatilla to San Francisco.

The steamship Chicago Maru, Capt. Goto, is due in from Oriental ports on Thursday with 350 tons of cargo for Victoria. The steamship City of Poughla is expected from Frisco that night.

Early next week the Blue Funnel liner Bellerophon will return here to discharge 2,000 tons of European and Oriental freight.



On her initial trip to Puget Sound the Kosmos liner Karnak left Hamburg on Tuesday last.

Bound for Victoria the Blue Funnel liner Antiochus, Capt. Stewart, was reported at Port Said on Thursday. The Proteus, Capt. Milne, of the same line, was at Singapore on Tuesday on her way from Victoria to Liverpool.

The long-conceived plan for making a through water communication between the Baltic and Black Seas by connecting the rivers Danube and Oder is again coming to the fore, and it is stated in diplomatic circles that the Austrian government is giving special attention to the matter.

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### EXPECT JOHN DOWN FOR OVERHAUL SOON

G. T. P. Steamer Will Be Here End of Next Week—Patricia Here Overhauling

About the end of next week the G. T. P. steamer Prince John, Captain Wearmouth, will arrive in port to undergo her annual overhauling. The John, which operates out of Prince Rupert to the Queen Charlotte Islands, has been in northern waters for about nine months, and is in need of a thorough overhauling. It is expected that she will be here for about eight days.

The C. P. R. steamer Princess Patricia, Capt. Ritchie, the flyer which operates between Vancouver and Nanaimo, is now on the Victoria Machinery Depot ways, having her hull cleaned and painted and her propellers straightened. The propellers of the turbine steamer revolve at between 700 and 900 revolutions a minute, and when turning over at that tremendous speed even small pieces of drift-wood will chip the blades.

While the Princess Patricia is here the Princess Mary is relieving the Patricia on the run between the Island and the Mainland ports. During the winter only one trip a day is made, and the other Princesses are able to handle the work.

Ena Going North. To-morrow night the steamer Princess Ena will leave Vancouver with a full cargo for northern ports. The Ena has a large shipment of iron and bridge material together with 200 tons of coal for Prince Rupert. For Granby Bay the Ena will have 200,000 feet of lumber. Capt. Sainly, the regular master of the Princess Ena, will not be able to go north on the steamer. He was taken ill at Vancouver a few days ago and will have to remain ashore for a time.

### TO LEAVE CLOTHING AT PITCAIRN

Portland, Dec. 21.—On the passage from Portland to the United Kingdom with cargoes of grain, the British barques Colony and Boadicea will call in at the Pitcairn Islands, if the weather conditions in that latitude should prove favorable, and leave clothing for the natives, who have to depend largely on getting certain supplies from passing ships. The Colony finished loading her cargo last evening, and probably will leave to-day. It will be toward the first of the year before the Boadicea will get away. The captains of these two craft have placed a wager as to which will complete the quickest passage to Queenstown. They have agreed in case they put in there to leave a note at Pitcairn Island, letting the other know just how long it took him to complete that part of the run from the Columbia river.

### CAPT. COX WELL AGAIN.

Capt. William Cox is again on deck. The well-known Victoria pilot brought the big Blue Funnel liner Bellerophon into port yesterday. For some weeks Capt. Cox has been confined to St. Joseph's hospital.

### LAUNCH NEW STEAMER FIRST OF NEXT YEAR

Princess Maquinna Will Take Water Early in January—Largest Ship Built in B. C.

Early in the new year the crack new C. P. R. steamer Princess Maquinna will be sent down the slip at the British Columbia Marine Railway yards. Practically all the work that can be carried out before she is launched has been done, and it is more than likely that the new west coast steamer will take her first dip into the waters of Esquimalt harbor some time during the first week of January.

The Princess Maquinna is the largest vessel ever constructed in British Columbia. She is being constructed of steel throughout and will be one of the trimmest vessels of the British Columbia coast fleet. It is not expected that any elaborate ceremony will attend the launching of the Maquinna. After she is launched much work will have to be done before she is ready for her speed tests.

Residents at the different west coast points will welcome the new Princess. When the plans of the Maquinna were being prepared special care was taken to insure the greatest stability in a ship of her size. The passenger accommodation will equal that on some of the largest steamers.

The west coast trade has grown remarkably during the past few years. It is not so long ago since the old steamer Queen City was quite large enough to take care of the business. The Tees, now on the run, makes two trips to Holberg and two to Clayoquot during the summer, and two to Holberg and one to Clayoquot in the winter. The Tees has been found too small for the trade and the C. P. R. has decided to build a ship that will be able to cope with the business for several years.

### NORWEGIAN STEAMER ARMA CHARTERED BY MAPLE LEAF

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 21.—The Norwegian steamer Arma has been added to the Maple Leaf line. She will load at New York about February 1 for Vancouver, and in June will load general cargo at Pacific coast ports for Europe.

The Standard Oil tanker Adorna, flying the German flag, arrived here yesterday from South America on her first trip to this port. She will load oil back.

To-morrow morning the G. T. P. steamer Prince Rupert, Capt. Johnson, is expected in from Prince Rupert, and the C. P. R. steamer Charming, Capt. Brown, from east coast points.

Late last night the C. P. R. steamer Tees, Capt. Gilliam, got away for Holberg and way points with a full cargo of general freight and a heavy list of passengers.

The schooner Polaris sailed from Newcastle, N. S. W., for San Francisco on Monday; the barkentine James Johnson is to sail to-day.

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Victoria audiences have been treated in their time to all sorts and conditions of amateur dramatic performances, good, bad and indifferent, but it is doubtful if ever in the history of the city there has been a greater success in this class of entertainment than last night's production by the Amateur Dramatic Club of "The House that Jack Built in Vantoria, B. C."

It has not yet been decided whether Jack ever did build his house in Vantoria, but certainly some of the things that were said about that mythical city would have made even our most imaginative publicity organizations through the piece there was a running commentary in a light, very light, vein on the various institutions of the city.

Jack, played admirably by Harry Davis, was a "cheechake" "L'Anglais" who put his sole worldly wealth into a coal mine sold by the mayor's rival for the civic office, R. N. Hincks, who was attired bravely in a Robin Hood costume of Lincoln green. In the first act the retiring mayor and his rival are seen on the hustings as in the good old times, abusing each other roundly from a distance of about four feet, while Priar-Tuck (Rowland Yates) endeavors to keep the peace. There are other characters, too, worthy of mention, the Widow Twankey in particular being very amusing, while Peach, the dancer, served up the tit-bit of the evening in the tambourine dance.

Miss Phyllis Davis as Baby Bunting was as dainty and frolicsome as any body could wish, and was fully entitled to "The Dissolving Mystery." Her cajoling ways would have coaxed a mummy of Karnak out of his last level. Among the male performers the performance of R. N. Hincks as "Rob-

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**NOTICE**

A special meeting of the Victoria Shipmasters' Association will be held on Monday, December 23, in Room 7, Labor Hall, at 8 p.m.

**ED. PARSONS,**  
Secretary

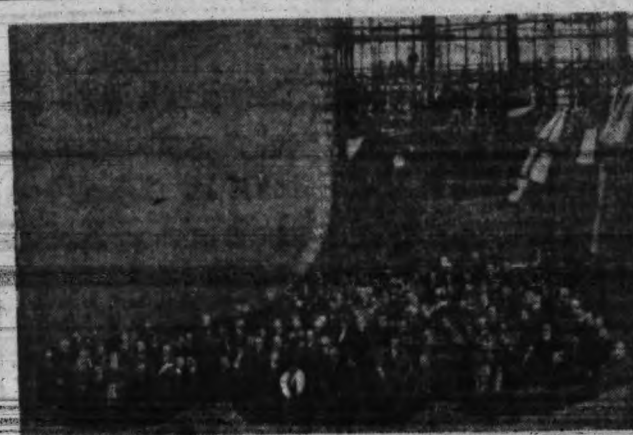
bing Hoodwink" probably stood out as the most spontaneous and natural of the whole evening. The well known sportsman was certainly in his element as the rival of All Baba, Harry Davis' pleasing tenor blended admirably with Mrs. Foot's sweet soprano, while Robert Horton was the "star" comedian as the black-sheep bartender, Bah-Bah, and was encored several times for his principal song. He supplied a good deal of the humor all through. Mr. Rowland Yates has an exceedingly well trained stage voice, and made an excellent Priar Tuck, while Jack Mason made a sufficiently awe-inspiring All Baba.

For the rest, the chorus was well balanced, the music catchy, the dancing excellent and the humor unforced and topical.

### MAILED ARCHITECTS' CHECKS.

Cheques for \$1,000, \$2,000, \$3,000 and \$1,400 were mailed by the government of British Columbia yesterday to the four firms of Canadian architects who were successful in the contest for drawing the plans of the provincial university. Messrs. Spence and Thompson, of Vancouver, who won, will later have the \$1,000 deducted from their regular fees in connection with the erection of the building. On account of the Christmas shopping season the civil service salary cheques were distributed several days early.

## AUSPICIOUS LAUNCHING OF THE EMPRESS OF ASIA



The picture to the left shows the group of distinguished people who attended the launching, gathered about the new C. P. R. liner's bow. In the centre is a photograph of Mrs. G. M. Denworth, wife of the vice-president of the

C. P. R., who acted as sponsor, breaking the proverbial bottle of champagne over the vessel's bow as she released the hydraulic trigger. The other picture shows the Asia after her slide down the ways into her natural element.



## WILL ADDRESS Y. M. C. A.

Bishop Roper to Speak Before Members To-morrow, Delivering "Christmas Message."

To-morrow Bishop Roper will speak before a meeting of the Y. M. C. A. members at 4 o'clock. This meeting is consequent upon discussion afternoons which have been held there for some weeks past. To-morrow the bishop will deliver "A Christmas Message."

The usual fellowship tea will follow the meeting and during the session Robert Morrison (tenor), D. A. Davies (bass), and Louis Pichon (flutist), will render selections, while the musical programme will be further augmented by Mann's orchestra. All men are invited.

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GRADE REVISION  
ON SUFFOLK STREET

Sole Arbitrator Finds for City on All Counts—No Compensation Can Be Awarded

The city solicitor received to-day a copy of the award of Hugh Kennedy, sitting as sole arbitrator in the claim of Angus Smith, C. E., late city engineer of Victoria, against the corporation for "injurious affection" of lots 23 and 24, Suffolk street, Victoria West, by reason of certain local improvement work done on the street.

Nature of Claims.  
The claims group themselves into four heads: 1—Damages to existing improvements. 2—Increased cost of contemplated improvements. 3—Loss by deprivation of accessibility. 4—Loss by wasteful methods of prosecuting the work.

"Claims of the third class," says the award, "as being the heaviest, will be dealt with first. It is necessary first to consider the degree of accessibility possessed by these lots prior to the commencement of the work of local improvement authorized by the by-law. "The evidence on this point is very clear. It shows that an express wagon lightly loaded could be driven on to the lots. It shows also that this achievement was made possible by the work of a neighboring property owner, Samuel Rowe, who blasted out and otherwise improved a rough wagon-road for his own use. This wagon road traversed private property, with the qualified verbal consent of the owner thereof. By way of land actually dedicated for street purposes, the lots were and always have been wholly inaccessible to horse-drawn or motor-propelled vehicles. To serve them, in the natural condition of the street, with water or sewer conduits was equally impracticable. It is clear, therefore, that such degree of accessibility as the lots formerly possessed was one whose value, expressed in terms of money, is, for the purposes of this arbitration, negligible. Such value as the property had lay very largely in the prospect of its being made accessible to vehicular traffic and to water and sewer conduits. The present work of local improvement is nothing short of an effort by the defendant corporation to fulfil its whole duty in making that prospect an accomplished fact. To access damages against it in this respect would be nothing short of imposing a penalty for the proper performance of its obvious duty. All claims coming under the head of deprivation of accessibility are therefore dismissed.

"The claim under the fourth head for loss due to city's neglect and violation of contracts with the paving companies is clearly beyond the scope of this arbitration. If the claimant is under any disability in this regard, his remedy must lie otherwise than in a resort to arbitration.

"Under the second head are embraced claims for the cost of walls, steps and extra lengths of sewer and water services. The bulk of the evidence for the claimant on this point goes to fix the cost of these proposed improvements. In the opinion of the arbitrator it fails to establish that any part of the cost of these proposed improvements, to be made on the private property of the claimant and not on the street, should be borne by the defendant corporation.

Under the first head are claims on account of a large team gate destroyed, 100 feet of fence destroyed, and entire removal of monument.

No Monument.  
"The evidence establishes that a certain drill hole which once existed has been destroyed. It fails to establish that the said drill hole had any value whatever as a monument by which to fix street or other lines.

"In dealing with the fence and gate claims the arbitrator finds that injury has been done to the property of the claimant. The amount of this injury is quite generously fixed by the evidence of one of the witnesses for the claimant at \$35. It remains, therefore, for the arbitrator to find whether, under section 394 of the Municipal Clauses Act, this amount or any part of it is 'beyond any advantage which the claimant may derive from the contemplated work.' The finding is that the lots have been benefited, and with the completion of the work will be benefited to an extent well beyond the amount of the ascertained damages, \$35, added to the full proportion of the local improvement taxes which the lots will be called upon to pay on account of the improvements.

"No compensation, therefore, can be awarded the claimant under this head, nor on any of the counts set forth in the statement of claim."

J. C. McIntosh acted for the plaintiff, and T. R. Robertson, city solicitor, for the corporation.

## WITH CHUM, BELIEVED LOST.

The police force spent all last night from 1 o'clock until 3 o'clock this morning looking for nine-year-old Thomas Nelson, of Colville street, who was reported by his parents as missing. Tommy turned up this morning at a neighbor's house, where he had decided to stay over night with a chum.

## DUNCAN TRAIN CANCELLED.

Officials of Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Find Morning Connection Not Profitable.

The additional train which has been running from here to Duncan each day during summer, leaving the store street station at 2 a. m. and returning from Duncan at 5 p. m., has been discontinued by the officials of

the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway, who have found that there is not sufficient business at this time of the year to warrant the train being run. The service does excellently for the spring and summer months, when hundreds of tourists and sportsmen are travelling between the two points, but there is little of this kind of traffic in the cold months of the year, and it has been thought advisable to drop these two trains out of the schedule. They will therefore not run from the end of this week until further notice.

Mr. Goodfellow, who is in charge here during the absence of Mr. Beasley in California, made a tour of inspection over certain parts of the line yesterday.

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## TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT.

Promulgation of By-laws.  
All persons are hereby required to take notice of the following provisions in By-Laws recently passed by the Municipal Council of the Township of Esquimalt:

Pound By-Law.  
A Pound has been established at the corner of Lampson street and Esquimalt road. George Bridge has been placed in charge of a herdsman or shepherd. All dogs in the Municipality have got to be licensed, tags may be obtained at the Municipal Clerk's office.

Building By-Law.  
No person shall commence erection, repair, alteration or any building within the Municipal limits of the Township of Esquimalt until plans and specifications have been submitted to and permit obtained from Building Inspector at the Municipal Clerk's office.

Picnics By-Law.  
No person shall discharge firearms within the Municipal limits of the Township of Esquimalt without first obtaining permit from the Mayor and Clerk of the Corporation.

Bicycle Regulations By-Law.  
No person shall ride or drive any bicycle or velocipede of similar character upon or along any sidewalk within Municipal

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THOMAS SHEPHERD, Town Clerk.

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Qualifications of Voters.

The attention of persons entitled to vote in the Township of Esquimalt is directed to Section 12 of the Municipal Elections Act, which reads:

12. After the first municipal election the following persons shall be entitled to vote for any person who is duly nominated as a candidate for any elective office at any election in any Township or District Municipality, and shall be entitled to have his or her name entered on the Voters' List: (1a) Who is the owner of land or real property in a Municipality, or interest therein, of the assessed value of not less than one hundred dollars.

"In case the registered holder of the fee and the registered vendee under an agreement for sale are both owners (as defined in this Act) of the same land or real property, they shall both have the right to have their names entered on the Voters' List, but the holder alone shall have the right to vote at any municipal election, unless he, on or before the day of election, by writing under his hand and seal, or otherwise, his right to vote, in which case the vendee shall be entitled to vote, provided he has all the requisite qualifications of a voter."

2. Who, being a resident of this Province, is the representative duly authorized by the directors of an incorporated company which is the assessed owner of lands or improvements within the said Municipality, or of the assessed value of not less than one hundred dollars, or who is the assessed occupier of lands and improvements within the said Municipality of not less than two hundred dollars in value.

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# SPORTING NEWS

## AMATEUR HOCKEY IN SEASON'S DEBUT MAKES DECIDED HIT

Y. M. C. A. and Telephone Teams Battle to a Draw, Final Score Being 2 to 2—Close Game Provides Excitement for the Fans

Amateur hockey was given a rousing send-off at the Arena last night, when over a thousand wildly enthusiastic fans greeted the opening of the Victoria Amateur Hockey Association, the B. C. Telephone and Y. M. C. A. teams battling to a draw, the final score being 2 to 2. At half time the Christians seven led, one to nothing, but the Christians came back strong in the second half and ran in two goals, the final tally going to the "Hello" seven with but eight minutes to play. The finish was very exciting and had the fans on their feet.

Y. M. C. A. Showed Class. While the Telephone team had been tipped off as the better balanced septette, the Y. M. C. A. forward line greatly over-shadowed that of the blue and white seven, the Christians showing



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FRANK CHANCE

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## VANCOUVER WANTS TWO EXTRA SERIES

Bob Brown Asks for Fourteen Weeks of Baseball—Dugdale Satisfied With Twelve

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 21.—Bob Brown has a grievance which is well placed before the meeting of the directors of the Northwestern League. He is not allowed to play Sunday baseball in Vancouver, and Brown wants two additional weeks of week-day baseball. The Vancouver leader says he will not demand more than one-half of the games in the schedule, but because of his inability to stare Sunday games, he points out that in the twelve weeks of baseball on his home grounds he will lose twelve Sunday games. These he wants made up with two additional series of six days each on his local grounds, and not have the transferred Sunday games charged against him in the schedule.

Dugdale Is Satisfied. Dugdale is opposed to having Brown get these additional two weeks, but it was said last night that the matter would probably be adjusted to the satisfaction of all. From the interviews with the magnates, a new situation will present itself at the meeting today. In the past there was a marked endeavor for each club to get as many games as possible. Dugdale wanted continuous baseball in Seattle, but now Dugdale is satisfied with twelve weeks.

Will Secure More Games. Cohn, who had fourteen weeks of the national pastime in Spokane last season, will be tickled to death with only twelve, while Portland cannot use more because of the competition of the Coast League club.

Under these circumstances, it looks as if McGinnity would have little trouble in obtaining his allotted twelve weeks of baseball, but when it comes to the question of four-day series, there is liable to be an objection. It seems that sometime in the dead past, the plan was tried but did not work and the magnates remember this with horror.

## TAYLOR A SENSATIONAL ATHLETE

Vancouver Rover Will Probably Figure on Con. Jones' Lacrosse Team Next Summer—Is Very Speedy and a Good Goal Getter

Vancouver, Dec. 21.—Fred Taylor, the Ottawa hockey sensation, may remain at the Coast permanently. He has had an interview with Con Jones, the local magnate, in which Jones made him a handsome offer to stick around for the summer. Taylor is considering it and if he accepts, will move out here for good. Taylor played lacrosse at the Capital and was a big surprise in the season of 1908.

Fred Taylor played one great game of lacrosse during his career and that was against the Shamrocks at Mile End in July of 1909. On that memorable occasion, it is gossip among the lacrosse players, Taylor ran fifteen miles during the game, scored six goals, beat up two or three Shamrock players and fielded at both ends of the sward. Once, Paddy Brennan undertook to stop him and Taylor ran a half mile with the big Shamrock man in pursuit. After the game he ran half mile to the train in order to be

the first man in the diner. Pete Green often recalls it as the greatest individual performance he ever saw on a lacrosse field. Kavanaugh, Howard and others of the Irish team tried to stop him, but finally gave up in despair. During the game Jim Kavanaugh asked of Pete Green: "Where did you get the Jack Rabbit?"

Beat Up Referee. The previous week Fred Taylor had trimmed Tom Carlin in a free-for-all at Varsity Oval and knowing that he was the center of attention, Taylor made up his mind to show them. And he did. Afterward, Taylor became "state" and finished the season on the bench. He found it too hard on his system to play hockey in winter and lacrosse, baseball, tennis and golf in the summer and finally gave up the game.

Taylor will be seen in action when Vancouver plays Victoria on December 27, at the local arena.

## RITCHIE CANNOT

HOLD TITLE LONG

Jimmy Britt Thinks He is Growing Too Fast—Admits He is Tough

Joe Gans and George Lavigne were the two greatest lightweights that ever lived in the opinion of Jimmie Britt, former lightweight champion.

"I believe that Gans in his best day could beat any of the present day fighters," said Britt, "simply because he knew how. He had everything and a great fighter ought to have and when he was dying with consumption he went in and made wonderful fights. He knew how, for he studied the game. Lavigne was a two-handed fighter and always dangerous and his game was as thorough as I ever saw. The two greatest and the former perhaps the most wonderful, that ever stepped into a ring as a lightweight."

Ritchie whipping Wolgast was no surprise to me, although I thought Wolgast would be too strong for him. Before Wolgast was operated upon for appendicitis he was beating men bigger than himself. After the operation, men smaller than he were holding the better of him. New Ritchie is a champion and no accident, but Wolgast has been weakened by his operation or he has come to the end of his string.

"I do not think Ritchie will be a lightweight very long because he is a big boy and will grow very fast. Ritchie should be a champion as long as he can make the weight, because he is a tough boy to beat."

## KING HONORED.

New York, Dec. 21.—His Majesty King George V. was elected an honorary member of the New York Yacht Club at the meeting of the club last night. Dallas B. Pratt was chosen commodore, to succeed C. D. Blair.

## CITY HOCKEY LEAGUE OPENS



PRESIDENT JOHN MOWATT

Of the Victoria Amateur Hockey Association, who has every reason to feel proud of his amateur organization. Mr. Mowatt is a great hockey fan and is deservedly popular among the players.

## A. A. U. IS RIDING

FOR A TUMBLE

Football Critic Sums Up the Recent Action of Governing Amateur Body on Soccer

Toronto, Dec. 19.—"I am afraid the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada is riding for a fall," said Tom Watson, secretary of the Dominion Football Association, yesterday. "Not content with interfering with soccer football, a pastime which no more than three members know anything about, I see they have incurred the displeasure of the Amateur Swimming Association, who now blankly and practically tell the union to mind its own business. The action of the swimmers will, however, give strength to the footballers, and I firmly believe that ere many days have passed the D. F. A. will have told the A. A. U. of C. that in soccer matters the union can have no say whatever. The D. F. A. was formed to be the governing body, and must have full control and unfettered by a body which seeks to take unto itself an autocratic power no one ever meant it to have."

Powers Usurped. "I don't believe that there is another country in the world in which such a union usurps its powers. I have an idea what kind of rebuke the Amateur Athletic Union of England would get from the English Football Association. There an amateur footballer can play against a professional without incurring his status in other pastimes. That is all we want here. I am as big a lover of amateurism as any of the union here, and I know that it is the desire to all footballers to keep the game clean and pure, but I consider it an insult to professionals of the Old Country that by coming over here to serve up exhibition games and give the sport a push, they would be contaminating our dear amateurs, some of them old professionals, on this side of the pond. It cannot be, and I trust societies will rise up and show that what they want they must get."

Has It Broken Faith? "Further, I contend that the A. A. U. of C. has broken faith with the D. F. A. inasmuch as they have turned down the agreement come to in May last. As I write this original agreement is before me, and I need only to quote clause 6 in order to prove my contention: 'All international and representative matches must be sanctioned by and under the jurisdiction of the D. F. A. Such matches shall only be arranged between any club affiliated to the D. F. A. and any club belonging to any association affiliated to the International Football Federation.' How the Union can get over that I fail to see."

"When the agreement was drawn up the Union officials knew that the word 'any' was emphasized to include Old Country professional teams. If it had not meant this, what was the use of any agreement being drawn up at all? Amateur clubs could have been brought over without consulting that Union or any other body."

"If the Union cannot see it thus, then they bear the consequences."

## AMATEUR CARDS

WERE REFUSED

As announced in the Times on Thursday the Victoria branch of the A. A. U. rejected the applications for re-instatement by members of the Victoria professional soccer eleven-two applications from A. R. Hodges, physical instructor at the Y. M. C. A., and W. Young, of Victoria West, have been referred to the registration, but the following must wait for two years before their cases will be again considered: C. E. Surphiss, G. Allan, G. W. Pickering, J. S. Thomas, A. Wilkie, A. Muir and J. Newland. With the rejection of Surphiss, who is a baseball player, all of them are professional soccer players and are barred from re-instatement on the particular score that they played in the Victoria "professional" team.

## The Season's Greetings to You!

This is the time for shopping. To some, the late inclement weather, with its cold winds and driving rain, has rendered it far from pleasant. To others, it has been a pleasure, for THE PALATIAL DETROIT ELECTRIC has proved a friend indeed and has flitted from store to store with its occupants CHEERFUL, COMFORTABLE and HAPPY. What matters to them the weather?



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### DISPUTE OVER LOADED BALL.

New York, Dec. 21.—The supreme court was called upon to-day to decide whether a championship game of ten pins won with a ball alleged to be "loaded" had been fairly played. The suit was filed by the Corinthian Club, winner of the Eagle cup, the championship trophy in the 1912 tournament, to restrain the National Bowling Association from expelling the club from its membership and thereby prevent the club from participating in other organized tournaments.

### TO IMPROVE FOOTBALL.

Eastern College Coach Would Combine American and English Rugby.

Montreal, Dec. 20.—By combining Rugby and American football the ideal game could be produced, says Coach Shumway, of McGill University, in its annual report. The principal change which he suggests in the American game is to abolish the line of scrimmage, allowing men to be offside within certain limits. The passing or

kicking of the ball while a run is in progress is another suggestion that he believes would result in constant action.

## GREATEST AND THE WORST

The greatest ball player imaginable would combine Ty Cobb's speed, Art Houtman's marvelous twisting body, Duff Lewis' throwing arm, Jimmy Sheppard's head and Tris Speaker's hands.

The very worst player imaginable would combine Art Griggs' energy, Wilbert Robinson's body, Snodgrass' hands, Tom Needham's foot, John McGraw's throwing arm, and George Brown's head. Give Ty Cobb, Tris Speaker's arm and you will have to look no further to find the greatest of all time.



# SPORTING NEWS

(CONTINUED)

## MORE BASEBALL FOR LOCAL FANS

### NO HOPE FOR THE M'GINNITY PLAN

**Magnates Against Shorter Series — Victoria, Vancouver and Tacoma Will Be Given Twelve Weeks of Baseball—Many Trades Expected at Northwestern Annual To-day**

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 21.—With the schedule a bone of contention, the directors of the Northwestern Baseball League will meet here to-day in the first session held in Tacoma in the past five years. The meeting is held here this year out of compliment to "Iron Man" Joe McGinnity, former star of the New York Giants, who to-day will be elected to membership in the league as the owner of the Tacoma franchise. McGinnity has one demand and one request to put before the board. He will ask for twelve weeks of baseball for Tacoma, and will request that the series for 1913 be of four games each instead of seven as has been the custom.

It is generally predicted that the twelve weeks asked by McGinnity will be allotted him, but with Brown and Fugdale both standing against the four game series proposition there appears to be but small hope to his measure. To-night McGinnity will tender the visiting directors a banquet, at which a number of well-known business men will also be guests of honor.

Boats Longer Schedule.  
President Wattleit, of Victoria, was

in session all day with Mike Lynch arranging a couple of details which he wants to put through at to-day's meeting of the directors. Wattleit told President J. J. McGinnity that he would boost for the twelve weeks of baseball in Tacoma, but, like the other league directors, he is inclined to shy at the four-game series talk which McGinnity is spreading broadcast.

Several trades are likely to be consummated at the meeting. Brown being especially anxious to make some changes. Brown, too, has indicated that he is against the four-game series doctrine, so that under present circumstances there is little chance of it going through.

Completed To-day.  
The meeting to-day will be started in the morning, and there will be an afternoon session. At 6 o'clock the magnates and a number of Tacoma business men will be entertained. Mayor W. W. Seymour will do the welcome to our city specialty, and it is expected that Governor Elton Lister will be home from Walla Walla in time to take part in the festivities.

## FRANK CHANCE WILL MANAGE

### GOING YANKEES FROM BENCH

New York, Dec. 20.—If Frank Chance is engaged as manager of the New York Americans he will manage the club from the bench. Chance himself is quoted as saying so by a friend in this city, who received a letter from the former Chicago manager. Chance, said in effect he was through as a first baseman, and did not want to play any more, but would manage from the

bench as he did at Chicago last season and part of the season before. This report is a disappointment to New York fans, who had already been making a lineup with Chance at first and Chase at second.

It is expected that Chance and President Farrell, of the New York Americans, will meet early in January for perfect negotiations. It is denied that there is any serious hitch in them.

## REMARKED ON THE SIDE

Silent Ulrich May Prove a Surprise.

When Lester Patrick signed on Jack Ulrich, the former Vancouver spare, it was merely to have an extra hockey player round should anything happen to his regular. The silent one, however, showed unexpected form yesterday and the rail-birds are anxious to see Ulrich in a league match. Jack surely has the speed and is a beautiful stick handler. His one great handicap is that he cannot be coached when figuring in a rush and his work, therefore, is largely individual. Ulrich is a grand back checker, also, and may be moulded into a good puck carrier. His skating was one of the features of yesterday's work-out and Manager Patrick made no mistake when he grabbed "Silent" as his spare man.

Amateur Teams Deserve Encouragement.

Judging from the turn-out that greeted the initial appearance of the amateur teams at the arena last night, the Simon Pures are due for a big season on the ice this winter. The fans were enthusiastic over the work of the opposing teams, and an every-one of the boys engaged is well known throughout the city, additional interest was lent to the match. It is the keen inter-club rivalry, which was displayed last night that will keep the same alive in Victoria, and it is up to the teams to play real hockey all the way if they are to pull out the big crowds. That there is a wide difference in the work of the professional and amateur players was noted by those who witnessed the more finished efforts as provided by the pro's being somewhat different to the individual efforts of the amateurs. What the game lacked in class, however, was made up for in real excitement.

Palzer is Favorite Over Luther McCarty.

It seems strange that Al. Palzer should enter the ring at Vernon on New Year's Day a 10 to 3, and perhaps a bigger favorite over Luther McCarty, the sensational heavyweight youngster, who earned his way into the white house finals by defeating Jim Flynn, long the terror of the aspiring heavyweights. These odds do not appear to be justified after McCarty's showing against Flynn, but then it may be just a dodge upon the part of McCarty's followers to get their coin up at the longest price available. It will be remembered that Ad. Wolgast and Jack Johnson were amongst the suckers who fell for McCarty's foxy work during his preliminary training for Flynn, and the Vernon folk appear ready to repeat the stunt. McCarty will enter the ring on New Year's Day brimful of confidence and unless we miss our guess, he will make a chopping block out of Palzer. The fight should not last as long as the Flynn-McCarty contest.

Vancouver Branch is Criticized.

Irregularity in the granting of reinstatements by the Vancouver branch of the Amateur Athletic Union was broached at the local gathering last night, and if the charges against the Terminal City officials are substantiated, then the matter should be laid before the governing body at Montreal. The Vancouver body has no more right indiscriminately to reinstate athletes who have violated the laws of the amateur union than they have to create new rules, and it is about time that steps were taken to bring this proceeding to a halt. Mr. Dan O'Sullivan struck the right note when he stated that even if the Vancouver body should see fit to mar its record by reinstating one and all who applied, there was no reason why Victoria should adopt such unsportsmanlike tactics. The results of the investigating committee will be awaited with interest.

Northwestern Annual at Tacoma To-day.

A baseball fans are keenly interested in the annual meeting of the league "moguls" which is billed to take place at Tacoma to-day. Victoria's application for a longer schedule means that the fans will get a month's more baseball than they were given last year, while the refusal of the Bees to support McGinnity's plan for shorter series practically means the death of such a proposition. McGinnity meant well when he said that a change of faces would pull out the crowds, but he did not figure on the increased travelling expenses, that proved to be the downfall of his scheme. Victoria's new manager, Mike Lynch, will be heartily supported by President Wattleit and the fiery leader, late of Tacoma, will be given a free hand. Lynch appears pleased with the prospects of the Senators and says he will have a first division club.

More trouble for Ball Moguls.

Major League magnates are likely to have another bunch of trouble on their hands in the near future. The new players' association, if it is as active as a labor union with a new charter and it is now demanding that major league players draw pay during the spring training. As the contracts now read, the players get nothing but their bare expenses, and when it comes to "bare expenses," the professional do not have nearly as much as the amateurs. During the training season, and if a player is released before the scheduled season opens, he gets nothing. The clubs get a bunch

of money out of the exhibition games on the spring trips and the players feel that they are entitled to some of it.

Johnson Being Outrigger.

Jack Johnson, it is certainly getting in the neck these days. He lost \$5,000 when McCarty beat Flynn; he lost his rate in Chicago because of his troubles there; he beat a reporter and was fined \$50; his wife committed suicide and there were other troubles galore. And now Jack is being out by all his former friends. He went into a Chicago gymnasium the other day and got over his former sparring partners would speak to him. The way of the transgressor is surely hard.

## Welsh International Eleven

The Welsh selectors are already at work for the international in Ireland on January 18, and have visited several "battlegrounds" to get a line on the players for their selection. When at Wrexham recently Vizard, of Bolton Wanderers, enhanced his reputation, and they were delighted with his sprints. Davis, of Millwall, was absent, and Evan Jones, of Oldham Athletic, who took his place, seemed anxious to show every one in North Wales his best form. He certainly played a much improved game, and he was opposed by capable men—Hunter (Oldham), Longworth (Liverpool), and Cuffe (Glossop). J. T. Jones (Stoke) is almost certain to be capped again this year. Hughes (Manchester City) also gave much satisfaction and is sure of being picked. Peers (Wolverhampton Wanderers), in goal, did not reproduce his club form. He suffered

by comparison with Scott (Leeds City), who gave a brilliant exhibition for Meredith's eleven. Roberts (Leeds City), who played outside right, found favor with the selectors. And, in fact, no outside right stands any chance of play for Wales so long as Meredith figures in first-class football. For seventeen years the Welsh outside rights have been kept out of international football by the brilliance of the famous Manchester forward. The probable Welsh team this year will be composed of R. O. Evans (Conventry City), Lloyd Davies (Northampton) or Llew Davies (Wrexham), W. Jennings (Bolton), Hughes (Manchester City), Pease (Liverpool), J. T. Jones (Stoke), Meredith (Manchester United), Wynn Manchester City, Davis (Millwall), or Evan Jones Bolton, Davies (Oldham), and Vizard (Bolton).

## STANDING OF THE CLUBS

CLUBS	WON	LOST	PTS.	AGST.	AGST.	GOALS	TL.	TL.	PTS.
Vancouver	2	0	4	1,000	0	6	12	5	7.2
Victoria	1	1	2	250	0	6	9	10	4.4
Westminster	0	2	0	260	2	0	6	12	2.0

GAMES PLAYED	WON	PTS.
Home Club	1	2
Dec. 10—Vancouver	1	2
Dec. 13—Victoria	1	2
Dec. 17—Vancouver	1	2

## HOCKEY AND LACROSSE COMMISSIONS

### CERTAIN TO BE FORMED NEXT YEAR

George Kennedy, the Canadian manager, predicts the organization of lacrosse and hockey commissions, to govern the games in the East and West, within the next few months. "Don Jones is coming East shortly to confer with the 'Big Four' moguls and next summer the Patricks will likely negotiate with the N. H. A. for the purpose of settling the hockey war."

The newspaper men are responsible for the present salaries in both hockey and lacrosse," said Kennedy. "For instance, when a player receives an offer of say \$500, it comes out in the paper as \$1,000, and he considers himself worth that much. Then the players start to boast and away up go the prices. Next year there will be 50 per cent drops in both hockey and lacrosse salaries or I miss my guess."

They're away too high at the present time. The chief difficulty will be over the allotment of players. The Patricks spent five or ten thousand more than they had intended on players, but they realize that a commission is coming and next year they will claim all the Eastern men who are now playing in the Coast League. We could have had peace under those terms last fall and the Patricks would not have been able to claim half the stars they now have."

According to Kennedy, "Newsy" Lalonde is now the highest paid player in either of the two big professional associations. Kennedy says Payan has promised to report to him on December 29. He believes that the six-man game will soon replace the seven in all parts of Canada."

## BIG DEMAND FOR HOCKEY TICKETS

Vancouver Game Next Friday Arouses Interest—Westminster Rink Not Yet Ready

Tickets for the Vancouver-Victoria game next Friday night will be placed on sale Monday morning at the Fy-Rite parlors. This was announced by Manager Lester Patrick this morning, who states that the demand for the pastebards means another crowded house. The season ticket holders have taken up quite a percentage of the plan, and those wishing tickets are advised to mark off their seats early.

Game Postponed.

There was no game in New Westminster last night because of the inability of the promoters to complete the rink in time for the match, and the Royal City opening has been postponed until January 31, when the Victoria seven will visit the Salmon Bellies' new home. Work is now being rushed on this rink. The match which was to have been played last night will probably be staged at the end of the present season.

Which Has Speed.

A practice match between the Victoria city team and the Victoria Pro's, which was held at the Victoria Pro's rink last night, was a very interesting one. The Victoria Pro's, who are the favorites, won the match by a score of 3 to 1. The Victoria city team, who are the underdogs, played very well, but were out of sync in the forward line.



BIDDER PITRE

## ACCEPTS CHALLENGE.

Sacramento, Dec. 21.—Billy Nolan, manager of Willie Ritchie, issued a statement last night accepting Tom Jones' challenge of \$25,000 to fight Ad Wolgast. The \$1,000 bonus offered Ritchie will be turned over to some charity. "When we have concluded our theatrical engagements and are ready, we will give Wolgast a return engagement for the lightweight title, and it will be for a side bet of \$25,000 unless Jones backs out," said Nolan.

## WEST CAPTURES THE HIGH SINGLE PRIZE

Rolls 259 on Arcade Alleys—City League Meeting on Cards for Next Week

Rolling 259 on Thursday night, G. T. West captured the five-dollar note hung by manager, Parliament, for the bowler that could sweep the pins for a total of 259 or over, on the Arcade alleys. West's score was the highest of the week, though H. P. Edwards just missed taking down the five-dollar note when he toppled the maple wood over for a total of 245. The high scores for the week were as follows: Thursday, H. P. Edwards, 245; Wednesday, G. T. West, 246; Thursday, G. T. West, 249; Friday, Dallas, 202.

The Arcade team is practicing hard for the return match with the "Two Jacks" quartette next Thursday. A meeting of the proposed City Bowling League will also be held next week, when Manager Parliament hopes to get the league started.

## BIG HOUSE ASSURED.

Tom McCarty Will Coin Money on the Palzer-McCarty Bout.

Los Angeles, Dec. 21.—There will be exactly \$29,075 in the Vernon box office, according to Promoter Tom McCarty's figures, when Al Palzer and Luther McCarty meet for the world's heavyweight championship on the afternoon of New Year's Day. "The reservation list of to-day practically cleans us out and assures us that there won't be a vacant chair in the arena," said McCarty last night. "Never since I have been in the game has there been such a rush for seats. By putting my prices up I could have played to a \$50,000 house, but as my seats only range from \$2 to \$12, the capacity mark is \$39,075."

In the betting Palzer has been made a 10 to 8 favorite.

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## WILL INVESTIGATE VANCOUVER BRANCH

Charge That Terminal City is Re-instating Out-and-Out Pro's Made at Meeting

An investigation committee has been appointed by the Victoria branch of the B. C. A. A. U. to look into the reinstatements that have been granted by the Vancouver branch of that body within the last year or two. Changes were made at last night's meeting of the local branch that the Terminal City amateur authorities were not exercising proper care in the granting of these reinstatements, and a committee was appointed to deal with the matter as follows: Messrs. Manson, Taylor, Dakers, Fletcher and Lockley.

## MATCH ASSURED.

Arrangements have been completed for the inter-city soccer feature for Christmas Day, when Vancouver and Victoria soccer eleven will clash at the Royal Athletic Park. The game will start at 10:30 a.m., and the Victoria selection will be announced on Monday.

## AMATEUR TEAMS WILL NOW ADD STRENGTH

Y. M. C. A. and Telephone Septettes Announce Registration of New Stars

That there is going to be a warm battle for the Percy Richardson trophy is evident by the evenness of the teams which opened the season at the arena last night. The Victoria City club have yet to be seen in action but this team is reported to be the class of the league, having secured the pick of the men who won the city honors for the North Ward team last winter. A brother of Hammy Baker, the Winnipeg Victoria star, will be here about New Year's and is slated to line out with the Victoria City club.

Teams Will Strengthen.

Walter Small was tickled over the showing of his team last night. The Y. M. C. A. coach, armed with a huge megaphone, was on the side lines last night, urging his proteges to victory, and states that with a few changes he will have some team. Frank Gallier will be seen in the nets for the next match. Cane at coverpoint and Jones at rover. This trio should strengthen the maroon and white septette fifty per cent. The B. C. Telephone team will trot out no less than five new men on their next appearance. Don Ross and Bill Dalglish will be seen in front of Maxwell, while Countryman, Swanell and Ashland will fight for places on the line.

## HOLIDAY SOCCER.

Vancouver Will Send All-Star Eleven to Capital.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 20.—At a meeting of the Vancouver and District Senior Amateur League a team was selected to play Victoria in the Capital City on Christmas Day. The following team will make the trip: Goal, Delcourt (B. C. E. R.); backs, Borland (Cedar Cottage), Marshall (Cognitum), captain; half-backs, Grant (V. A. C.), Muir (Thistles), Paterson (B.C.E.R.); forwards, Leishman (South Hill), Dible (Highland), Henderson (Thistles), Goode (South Hill), Johnson (V. A. C.), Reserve, Tinker (Cedar Cottage).

## SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Aberdeen 1, Hibernians 2. Airdrieonians 2, Glasgow Rangers 0. Celtic 2, Dundee 0. Raith Rovers 5, Clyde 1. St. Mirren 1, Falkirk 4. Hearts 0, Hamilton Academicals 0. Third Lanark 0, Kilmarnock 0. Motherwell 2, Greenock Morton 0. Partick Thistle 1, Queen's Park 0. The qualifying final for the Scottish Cup was called off on account of the ground being flooded.

## YACHT BURNED.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 20.—The power yacht Kingpin, owned by Captain John S. Gall, was totally destroyed by fire while under way up the North Arm of the Inlet while she was returning from a trip to Deep Cove last Saturday afternoon. The Kingpin was one of the best known power yachts in the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club's fleet, and represents a loss of about \$5,000.

## KETCHELL WON.

Saskatoon, Dec. 21.—Tommy Murphy, of Saskatoon, collapsed in the ninth round of a scheduled ten-round bout with Steve Ketchell, of Chicago, at Wadena last night. For six rounds the boys went at it hammer and tongs, Ketchell having the advantage. Murphy's showing against the Chicago fighter was a big surprise.

## DREW AT SASKATOON.

Saskatoon, Sask., Dec. 20.—One hundred pounds saw Steve Ketchell, of Chicago, and Winnipeg's O'Brien box fifteen rounds to a draw. Ketchell was the aggressor throughout, but the wonderful defence of O'Brien seemed more than he could fathom.

## TALK COMMISSION IN EAST NEXT MONTH

Toronto Dispatch Says Con Jones is Going Down to Discuss Terms of Peace

Toronto, Dec. 21.—A report from the Coast has it that Con Jones is due here in Toronto next month to complete arrangements for the professional lacrosse commission. New Westminster claimed on nearly \$300 each on the season, though Jones lost well up to \$7,000. Vancouver hopes to secure several Westminster players next year, including Turnbull, the Springs and Howard.

Con Not Saying Much.

When questioned regarding the foregoing, Con Jones had little to say. He said he hoped to see a commission established next season but admitted he had not heard much about it lately. Regarding securing Westminster players the Vancouver Club president refused to make any statement other than that if he had a team at all next season it would be one capable of lifting the Minto Cup. "The best or none," was the way he put it.

## GOWLER TO BE BARRED

George Gowler will not be allowed to race in future contests for the Wilkeson skating trophy, according to a decision reached by the trustees yesterday afternoon. The fact that Gowler is now a resident of the Terminal City excludes him from the contest, and it was only because the trustees were under the impression that Gowler was going to return to Victoria that he was allowed to enter last week's race. Another added feature of the contest will be a medal, which will be given to the winner of each event. It is also proposed to make the race more interesting by handicapping the winner one lap. By this it is hoped to give all a chance, and will make the scratch man hustle to win.

## COAST JOCKEY CLUBS HEAD PURSE LIST

The sum of \$684,000 was distributed by the Canadian Jockey Club in 1912, being \$160,700 more than in 1911, as follows:

Ontario Jockey Club	\$ 95,170
Hamilton Jockey Club	70,000
Montreal Jockey Club	68,880
Windsor Fair Grounds and Driving Park Association	65,200
Niagara Racing Association	65,140
Metropolitan Racing Association	33,500
Toronto Driving Club	34,200
Montreal Driving Club	26,800
King Edward Jockey Club	26,100
Valleyfield Exhibition Co.	14,800
British Columbia Thoroughbred Association	145,700
Victoria Country Club	35,910
Montreal Hunt Club	500
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$684,000</b>

## BANDAGES SHOULD BE ALLOWED

Three Local Boxers Sustain Injuries to Hands Because of Ban on Wraps.

Lack of light bandages was the direct cause of three of the boxers being disabled at the J. B. A. A. tourney on Thursday night. Percy Grove breaking his right hand, Cropper putting a thumb out of commission, while Motherall sprained his wrist. Grove had to retire, while the other pair gamely finished their bouts. Motherall out-pointing his opponent, sprained wrist and all. The trouble lies with the refusal of the local authorities to permit bandages which would protect the hands, even cotton bandages being placed under the ban. As a result, Groves will not be able to fight again this winter, while Motherall and Cropper will have to be rested up for a period.

Wyard Joins J. B. A. A.

Promoter Davies announced that he has made arrangements to send Scott McKay and Scot Cropper to Seattle on January 7, while for the Vancouver tourney on January 1, he will have the following boys in shape: Goodwin, 150 lbs.; Donald McKay, 130 lbs.; Dooley, 125 lbs.; and Art Wyard, the Seattle boy who made such a good showing against Scot Cropper, and who may decide to reside here in the future.

## BURNETT A STAR.

South Park Youngster Scores Twelve Goals in School Hockey Match.

South Park continues its march towards the hockey championship of the public school hockey league, having defeated the Centrals this morning by the score of 16 to 0. The game was too one-sided to be interesting. Hugh Burnett's goal-getting proclivities was the big feature of the game. This youngster outclassed the other players on the ice, getting an even dozen tallies. The score was nine to zero at half-time, the Parks adding seven more in the final session. The teams were: Central—Patterson, E. Hall, A. Hall, Lister, Whittier, Gannon, and Green. South Park—Fraser, R. Copas, F. Copas, Rowland, Burnett, Dendroff and Greg.

## GOOD FIGHTS TO-NIGHT.

Nation's best boxers should be treated to a real battle this evening when Samson Good, the hard-hitting Vancouver lightweight, goes fifteen rounds with Tom Storey, champion of northern England.



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## SHOOT FOR GOBBLEES.

Fifth Regiment Cracks Will Go After their Christmas Dinners.

A turkey shoot over the miniature ranges will be held by the Fifth Regiment next Monday for holiday birds presented by the officers. Competitors will be divided into three classes and two contests will be held in each class. The conditions are: Sighting shots, which will be spotted, and three shots to count; counting shots will not be spotted, two prizes will be given in each class in each series, winners in the first series being barred in the second. The entrance is free.

## EXHIBITION GAME.

All Welsh players are requested to turn out at the Oak Bay grounds on Sunday morning at 10:30. A friendly match has been arranged with the James Bay Club and the Welsh Club for Christmas Day. Kick-off at 10:30 on Christmas morning.



SAMMY GOOD

Vancouver boxer, matched to fight Joe Kaylor on New Year's Day at Coquitlam, who fights at Nanaimo to-night.



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## TOTAL REQUIRED FOR LOAN ISSUES

COUNCIL WILL ASK FOR LARGE AMOUNT

By-laws for \$1,215,000 to be Presented to Ratepayers—Objects of the Loans

Sewers.....	\$ 700,000
Waterworks extensions	50,000
Schools, buildings.....	290,000
Sea water baths.....	125,000
Total.....	\$1,215,000

The above figures are the totals of the money by-laws which the city council will ask the ratepayers to authorize at the January election. The figure for the jail is set at \$50,000, although the by-law which is to be introduced at the city council on Monday night covers the full total of \$80,000; \$30,000 is in hand, and the balance, \$50,000, is therefore the amount which the city will require to raise by debenture issue.

The four departments of the city service, which are of importance as spenders of the public funds, and which are not mentioned above, are the health department, the lighting service, the fire department, and the parks branch. Two experiences with the parks in 1911 convinced the electorate that slow development was required instead of large outlays on parks at the present time, and the council has not since asked for public

money by way of a loan. All the same, a quantity of work is contemplated for 1913, particularly at Mount Douglas Park. The health committee has still some balance in hand to complete the garbage service, owing to the impossibility of the work planned for the present year being finished in time. The fire brigade extensions will be carried out of general revenue, and the electric light committee has still a balance left for extension of the arc lighting system.

The school board asked for \$264,000 net, and the above total is allowance for discount and other things. The by-law for the sea water baths, if carried in January, will be validated by the city's private act at the next session of the legislature.

## LOCAL NEWS

**Missionary to Speak.**—The next board meeting of Columbia Diocesan Women's Auxiliary will be held in St. Saviour's schoolroom, Victoria West, on Friday, December 27, at 2.30 p. m. Miss Vaughan will speak.

**Daughters of Scotland.**—The masquerade ball held last evening in the Foresters' hall, Broad street, was a most enjoyable occasion for everyone present, the number of fancy costumes being much larger than anticipated by those who had the management of the function.

**After Christmas Your Eyes.**—Do not neglect them if you suspect trouble. My prices always lowest. Frank Clugston, Optician and optometrist, 654 Yates Street, corner Douglas, Room 1.

**James & James Move.**—The firm of James & James, architects, has moved to new offices in the Hibben-Bone building. At the present time they have a considerable amount of work in hand, including plans for the reconstruction of the southeast corner of Government and Yates streets for Messrs. Richardson and Stephens.

**Discussed Erroneous Report.**—The board of trade committee on harbors and navigation yesterday decided to send a letter to Hon. Robert Rogers, minister of the interior, calling his attention to a newspaper paragraph, stating that drydocks would be built in "Quebec and Vancouver" and asking him its authority.

**Fifth Regiment Concert.**—An especially good programme is announced by the Fifth Regiment band, for its concert at the Empress theatre tomorrow afternoon at 3.15. The special feature will be the overture from "Semiramide," by Rossini, which was last played in Victoria seven years ago under Bandmaster Finn.

**William Murray-Gordon.**—Late of Public Works Dept., Sudan Government, Khartoum, who came to this city about a year ago almost blind with cataracts, has since undergone several successful operations by Dr. Gibson, and has had his sight greatly improved assisted by the ideal climate. He has resigned his Sudan appointment, and has decided to settle in this city, where he will shortly be joined by his family. He wishes to thank all those who have so kindly interested themselves in him during his stay here, and wishes them the compliments of the season.

**St. Paul's W. A. Sale.**—A most successful sale of work, which netted over \$100 for the Women's Auxiliary of St. Paul's church, Esquimalt, was held at the church rectory on Thursday afternoon, the number of visitors who made purchases keeping the rooms crowded with people during the day. Owing to pressure of other duties the Bishop of Columbia was unable to open the bazaar as expected, but this was the one disappointment of an otherwise successful function. The decorations were exceedingly pretty, and all the stalls were well patronized. Ten per cent. of the proceeds is to be devoted to the church missionary work, the remainder of the sum to be disposed of by special resolution of the W. A. at their next meeting.

## OBITUARY RECORD

The death occurred this morning at the Jubilee Hospital of John Thomas Higgins, at the age of 69. The deceased, who was a florist by occupation, lived, previous to his illness, at 1215 Cook street. He was a native of Norfolk, England, and had lived in this city for thirty years; he had been ill for some weeks. He is survived by a widow and son. The funeral will take place on Monday from the British Columbia funeral chapel, where services will be held.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. N. Copenau, of Victoria, are among the recent arrivals at the Mission Inn, Riverside, Cal.

The marriage of Miss Mary L. Stapler, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Staples, of 1337 Hillside avenue, to Mr. A. R. Stebbins, of Vancouver, will take place in the Metropolitan church, December 28 at 12 o'clock noon.

## MAY USE ONE TRACK.

Kettle Valley and Great Northern Railways May Join in Reaching Coast.

As the result of negotiations which have been going forward for some days and which were completed yesterday it is understood that a single track through the mountain region from Kootenay to the coast will be jointly used by the Kettle Valley Railway, Canadian and the Great Northern, or Victoria, Vancouver and Eastern Railway in their respective departments. The track in mountain divisions, the question will be about 10 miles long and entirely through rock-country.

# Rain or Shine

You must do your Christmas shopping now. The Saturday before Christmas is always a favorite day on which to make the final choice, and we are ready for the rush. We have told much of what is here prepared for you, but would remind you again that our advertisements are a mere indication of the Wealth of Christmas Merchandise stored in this big, beautiful store.

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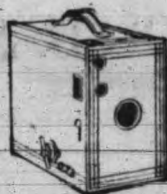
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To bring the system in Victoria into conformity with mainland usage, in fact, that of most modern cities, the street cars of the British Columbia Electric Railway Company are to stop on the near side of permanently paved streets and roads.

An amendment to the Street Railway Regulations By-law (March 8, 1907), will be moved at the city council on Monday. This course is in conformity with the recommendation of the special committee appointed to consider questions submitted to the council by the Victoria Automobile Association. The British Columbia Electric Railway will bring the change into operation as soon as the by-law has been passed through its several stages.

## FIRE RECORD EVEN.

Stands About the Same at 1911—Mill Blaze Accounts for One-half of Total Amount.

Fire Chief Davis is engaged in preparing his annual report on the Victoria fire department. He has been exceptionally fortunate so far this year, in having only one serious fire. The outbreak last April at the Canadian Puget Sound Lumber Mills, Rock Bay, caused damage of about \$58,000, which amount represents nearly half of the total loss of the year.

The loss on buildings and contents for the year has been \$130,692.50, or just \$12,000 less than in 1911. The largest figure, apart from the mill fire mentioned, was that of Col. E. G. Prior's new residence when just completed. This represents some \$15,000 of the balance.

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L. G. Devlin, of Ladysmith, is at the Dominion hotel.

F. E. Caston, of Vancouver, is at the Dominion hotel.

A. S. Blakemore is at the Empress hotel from Vancouver.

G. O. Snyder, of Tacoma, is staying at the Dominion hotel.

George A. Torrey, of Seattle, is registered at the Empress hotel.

H. Jansen, of Seattle, arrived at the Dominion hotel yesterday.

A. Arthur Cox is staying at the Empress hotel from Vancouver.

T. E. Reay, of Vancouver, is among the guests at the Ritz hotel.

H. Edwards, of New Westminster, is staying at the Empress hotel.

G. Minaker, of Rosser, Man., is a guest at the Dominion hotel.

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Edward Lloyd, of Portland, registered at the Dominion hotel yesterday.

John J. Mohr has arrived from Toronto and is a guest at the Empress.

M. R. Fanning, of Vancouver, registered at the Dominion hotel yesterday.

Mrs. D. W. Macdonald, of Vancouver, is registered at the Empress hotel.

W. W. Fraser is in the city from Winnipeg and is at the Empress hotel.

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## The Evening Chit-Chat

By Ruth Cameron

"Thinking is just what nobody wants to do," said Arnold Bennett once on a time. And to my mind he certainly struck twelve with that sentiment if he ever did.

How few people really do think about the little matters of everyday life!

Last summer I frequently had occasion to make a short trip during which I changed from one train to another. The second train always stood on

a siding waiting for the passengers. There was usually a large crowd so that all could not get seats. On leaving the first train this crowd divided itself into two groups—the hot pool of those who were not in the habit of thinking about little things, and those few who were.

The first group rushed over to the train, jumped on the nearest car and scrambled for seats. The second class walked rapidly along the outside of the train to the front cars where there was no crowd, then leisurely selected comfortable seats. By the time the overflow of the first group had managed to make a difficult way down the crowded aisles of the rear cars, they found the front cars fully tenanted by the people who were in the habit of taking thought about the little matters of everyday life.

Occasionally I used to look about at the faces of the people in the front part, and almost without exception they were intelligent faces, thoughtful faces, the faces of men and women who were undoubtedly making their way in the world because they had learned to do something besides follow the leader in the game of life.

There is a best way to do every little thing, whether it be washing dishes, or trying to get a seat in the train, or writing a letter.

There is also a routine way of doing every little thing.

Occasionally these two ways are one; more often they are not.

And the successful men and women are those who use their thinking machines in deciding whether the routine way is the best way, and do not accept it unless it is.

It is easy to do things in the routine way.

It requires effort to think.

That is why "thinking is just what nobody wants to do,"—at first, at least. After you have made the effort a little while, like all good habits, it ceases to be an effort.

The men and women who get the habit of thinking about little things are the men and women who can think to some purpose about bigger things. In business they are the people whose salaries rise as inevitably as the rivers in spring, in the home they are the folks who astonish their neighbors because they accomplish so much so easily.

Do you think? Not just when you are up against it, and have to put your rusty machinery into inefficient motion, but every day, every minute, about every thing?

It pays.

Ruth Cameron

One Christmas is hardly past before artists who are specialists in this direction set to work to design Christmas cards for the following year. Some of the best designs come from Paris, and one lady there receives \$250 a year from an English firm on condition that they have first choice of all her designs. The printing of the cards begins in summer, and oddly enough, one of the processes is classed among dangerous trades. The so-called "gilded" Christmas cards are made by dusting bronze powder upon dampened designs. The bronze in this form is poisonous, and in spite of all precautions particles of the dust are absorbed by the workers, which sometimes leads to serious results.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Garnett has arrived from Cobble Hill and are staying at the Empress hotel.

S. F. Mackenzie has arrived in the city from London, Eng. and is at the Empress hotel.

C. G. Pennock has arrived in the city from Vancouver and is staying at the Empress hotel.

Mrs. Douglas Groves is in the city from Westholme and is staying at the Empress hotel.

A. M. Peterson has arrived in the city from Seattle and is staying at the Empress hotel.

J. Boschwitz, of London, Eng., is among the guests at the Empress hotel from Vancouver.

S. MacPherson, of Vancouver, arrived in the city yesterday and is staying at the Dominion hotel.

A. Rey, S. Rey and Miss Rey, of Szechuan, arrived in a party at the Dominion hotel yesterday.

H. H. Jones and M. and E. Callanan, of Barkerville, arrived in a party at the Dominion hotel yesterday.

E. A. Seaton, of South Fort George, who has been in Victoria for a few days, left last night for the upper country.

H. W. Mills and Mrs. C. E. Campbell, of Edmonton, arrived in the city yesterday and are registered at the Dominion hotel.

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## THE PARTY OF THE SECOND PART

BY S. A. WHITE

Many months Durk Seely had lived with sin and in poverty, grubbing along the streams of the Forty-mile from Poker Creek to No Luck Camp. Now he purposed to live with grace and in splendor. For the gold that blinked up at him from the pay-dirt he had panned on Bear Creek, which paralleled the Yukon at some distance inland, was coarse and flat and of a dirty high-grade color.

He came in the red morning glare of the Northern Lights through the new-christened camp of No Luck, littered with snarled rubbish and emblazoned with loud canvas signs, wearing a grin on his smutted, frost-cracked lips and carrying hope of a high assay at heart.

"Where you cavortin', Durk?" asked Smiling Samson, keeper of Saloon and Saloon, the most pretentious beer tent and dance hall in the place.

"Recorder's office. And later, Se-attle."

Samson's smile became a gurgle as he stared at Seely from the steps of his huge Arctic marquee. His was not a pleasant figure. He had a tub for a stomach, four yards of yellow-striped shirt above it, and a face like a ruby glass wine-cask overtopping that.

"Struck it?" he blurted.

Durk nodded. He wondered how Samson, hatless and coatless, could stand outside with the mercury forty below.

"Holy beans! Who'd have thought it! What? Over on Bear? Now who in Old Nick's harem would have thought it! Come and have a drink." He opened the door, letting out heat, music, and the smell of stimulants.

"Thanks, Smiling," grinned Seely, "but I've quit."

The saloonkeeper's mouth opened like a spigot. "Eh? You've quit?"

"I sure have. Hereafter the party of the first part, which is me, goes straight. Understand? The transgressor's is a hard old road, Smiling, and my feet are sore. Now and henceforth I stick to Easy Street, pink teas and revivals. There's a girl in Seattle as walks that way and she's been waitin' certain years for this strike. See? And I cut the woman crowd with the booze. Scarlet Annie and all the rest."

Samson closed his jaws slowly and gulped. It was the first time the miner had ever seen him without his smile.

"Shoot my shadow!" he exclaimed, "if I don't believe you're right. It never hit me like that. Come and have a farewell drink."

"How?"

"Come and have one single solitary farewell. You say you've given' wide open gaps the shake. Show me. Show the rest. We all have distant relapses in Missouri."

Seely twisted his heels from the loops of his snowshoe thong. "Sure," he laughed. "A farewell! That's a good idea."

Several men and women, among them Scarlet Ann, were dancing to the jangling tune. "I Don't Know Where I'm Goin', But I'm On My Way," rasped out by a thin-backed fiddle and a tiny banjo. These came willingly at Durk's call to drink with him.

"It's a fare-ye-well," he pronounced, holding his liquor aloft.

"Heb? You don't say?" they cried, eyebrows raised in surprise. And then, tossing off: "All right, old pard. Here's luck!"

But over the rim of his glass Seely saw Scarlet Ann's eyes mocking him, glinting black like her coiled hair. Hair and eyes gave the only dull tints to her make-up. Otherwise she formed a color scheme in scarlet from the hem of her saucy dress to the curve of her full cheek.

She laughed, but the laugh was devoid of mirth. "I heard your preachment out there. You're forgettin' me?"

"That goes," Durk confirmed. "My past is recitin' behind me at a mile a minute and draggin' my score of sins so fast that the paper 'll be all wore out before I strike Seattle. After this, the narrow way for mine!"

"Mush," sneered the woman. "Don't bank on gettin' off any easier than the

rest of us. You talk nonsensical. Why, you ain't done penance for your sins."

"I don't have to—since Palestine."

"Wait and see!" She flounced through the curtains that screened half the floor.

Durk warmed a numbed heel that had suffered frost-bite on the Sixty-mile; before going forth into the cold to fasten on his snowshoes. Smiling Samson and the other men and women crowded to the doorway, clamoring good-byes.

"Maybe you'll have to race a shade," announced Scarlet Ann, with a smirk. "California Dave's just pulled out for the recorder's office."

Seely whirled in black anger. "You cursed little vampire," he yelled.

He took one step with hand upraised as if to mar her handsome face, then turned and bounded over the snows.

Across the Divide he met an old-timer coming into No Luck Camp for supplies. The grizzled, gray-haired giant was plodding wearily with the cord of an empty Yukon sleigh looped around his shoulders.

"Seen California Dave?" Durk hurried at him.

"Mile ahead an' going easy," the gaunt sourdough answered, staring wonderingly at Seely's haste. "Done anything?"

"Not yet!"

Durk swung on over the valley, sweating from heel to scalp. The drippings from his forehead iced the fur fringe that protected his face; the steam of his body worked through his parkies and rimed it with hoar frost. But his exertion had its reward when presently he discovered the little form of California Dave in the middle distance.

Seely hated him with all the intensity of his singular spirit. That passion had developed in strength every time the two came in contact, which was very often since they were both atoms pressed together in the same strata of Northland life. For some men's natures are so composed of diverse qualities that their personalities present antagonistic wholes, and they invariably become bitter enemies from the moment of first meeting. Such were David Marsfield and Durk Seely.

Marsfield retained Durk's enmity with compound malice. That Scarlet Ann's affections had been snatched by the latter was only one reason. There were others.

When Seely loped up beside California Dave in the trail which the old-timer had broken, both men slackened speed somewhat and travelled thus for a minute, looking each other in the eyes, watching warily for sign of any abrupt, untoward movement. Then Durk spoke, coldly and with design.

"Mebbe. Matter to you?"

Seely chuckled. "No, not now. For I can beat you to it. See? When it comes to trippin' on snowshoes, you ain't in my class. Eh, California? Remember the races at Fairbanks and how you also ran?"

"Oh, I don't know," growled Marsfield, his face darkening. His eyes narrowed dangerously. "You ain't a pet rock greyhound, now I come to look at you."

Durk leaped forward on the raquettes with an exultant laugh, but Marsfield spurted and breasted him again.

"Why, blast you," snarled Durk, "do you think you can pace me or leave me in the end? I'd kill you now if I thought that." His hand went swiftly to his belt. "But you're hardly worth while. Good-bye!"

He shot ahead at racing speed, losing Marsfield as if the latter had been standing still. He had a stride of tremendous length and the easy hip-lurch of the trained tripper who receives his momentum from the spring of the webbing under the heel. Six of those beautiful, powerful strides he took. In the swing of his seventh the frames of the raquettes seemed to give way suddenly, and he plunged headlong in the drifts, and he plunged instantaneously, laughing raucously. California Dave ran past and away.

Durk Seely sensed a trick. He squirmed to a kneeling posture in the soft side-snow of the trail. One hand dashed the white blur from his eyes, the white smother from his nostrils. The other hand closed on the weapon in his belt, but Marsfield was already beyond range, ironically making gestures from afar. Durk, with more squirming, freed his heels from the snowshoe loops and looked for the cause of breakage. Both shoes had broken in a line with the toe-holes. Looking intently, he saw that the frames of both had been craftily notched with a sharp knife.

At which realization incarnate rage rose up in Seely as in a man primitive. He dragged himself to his feet and dashed after Marsfield in his shoe-packs. But the effort proved futile. In the sorry trail he sank to the hips at every step and floundered like a moose bogged in a blackhead swamp. Before he had covered one hundred yards, exhaustion, like some crushing monster, oppressed his heart and lungs. He sank in his stride, unable to lift a foot for another stride, and gazed fiercely across the waste at a black speck which diminished magically.

Then, sanity and strength returning, he went back to where he had left his snowshoes. It was a particularly barren spot in which he was stranded. For over a stick of timber was visible. For over the Divide timber grew not. And timber or wood in some form was essential to Seely; just then. So he ploughed ahead laboriously a distance of three miles to reach a creek that crossed the trail. It was a small tributary of the Bear, frozen from top to bottom, and ten feet of snow covered its driftwood.

The only thing that marred the spot was a broken tree trunk, up-ended and broken in the ice, and Durk was intensely glad of the disfigurement. His knife took rough strips from it, and using these as splints on the breaks in his shoes, he bound them tightly with twine. Bare fingers alone could handle and tie twine. Therefore the fur mittens came off. And the Arctic cold bit so cruelly that it became necessary to light a fire in order to accomplish the purpose. These operations lost him much time, and the sick snowshoes lost him much more since he was forced to

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trick? If I'd known I'd never have let California Dave vamoose like you. I thought he beat you fair. Now do you s'pose he knows that Seattle girl?"

"He certainly does," cried Scarlet Ann, edging up.

"You don't say!" Samson exclaimed. "Hold on, Durk, steady yourself. You need a bracer. Come and have a brandy."

"No," roared Durk, turning away unsteadily. "What I said sticks. Hereafter the party of the first part, which is me, goes straight."

"Bravo!" shouted Ann, scowling at Smiling Samson. "And take some more refusal, Samson. Take lots of it: No, no, no! You hear me? You understand? Hereafter the party of the second part, which is me, goes straight."

Agghast, they all stood and stared at her.

A great transforming light was on Ann's face. She stepped up to Durk, laying an arm across his shoulders in a comforting way to guide him through the doorway, and not only through the doorway but along the new Trail, the straight and narrow Trail they both had chosen. "Durk," she whispered, "there's another grub-stake coming and you'll make another strike, and I'll be with you when you make it." Her voice broke; she was laughing and crying at once. "Don't you see?" she faltered. "I played for this, and—I won. Durk, don't you see where I'm taking you? This is the sky-pilot's tent we're at. Have you a ring of any sort?"

Durk fumbled dazedly in his pockets, light slowly breaking on him, and comfort and joy and love—the love that Ann had first awakened in the years that were gone, in the home country known as the Outside.

"So like a man," laughed Ann. "You haven't anything. Here, use this one from my finger. It takes a woman to arrange things, anyhow. I couldn't give you up to that Seattle girl. That's why I notched those snowshoes."

### CHRIS'MAS COMIN' SOON.

(Denver Post.)

"O! possum settin' on a 'sillion tree—  
Chris'mas comin' soon—  
I wink at him an' he wink at me—  
Chris'mas comin' soon—  
I say: 'O! possum don't yo' make no face,  
I leab yo' hea' in de fat'nin' place—  
Come back bimby an' I 'ten yo' case—  
Chris'mas comin' soon."

"O! turkey roos'in' on a crooked limb—  
Chris'mas comin' soon—  
I see gone-prock bimby wif him—  
Chris'mas comin' soon—  
He's got so fat dat his skin turn blue;  
De white folks watch him dey think he do  
An' dis ol' cuffed man watchin' too—  
Chris'mas comin' soon."

De coon dog barkin' lak his heart done  
break—  
Chris'mas comin' soon—  
I climb up yondeh an' de limb I shake—  
Chris'mas comin' soon—  
De ol' dog waitin' on de groun' below,  
De coon can't harbo' on his soul no mo'—  
It's done cross ober to de older sho—  
Chris'mas comin' soon."

Won't hang no stockin' on de cabin wall—  
Chris'mas comin' soon—  
Fraid of Marshel Samson won't come at  
Chris'mas comin' soon—  
De good Lawd whisper when I dream at  
night—  
Rouse up, ol' sleepah, 'fo' de day git  
light—  
An' yank dat turkey from de white man's  
sight—  
Chris'mas comin' soon."

We soon be squattin' at de banquet bo'd—  
Chris'mas comin' soon—  
I ask de blessin' from de lie'nin' Lawd—  
Chris'mas comin' soon—  
Den I take dat possum an' I break de  
home—  
An' I pour de gravy on de ol' corn pone,  
An' I cyarve de turkey wif de white  
folks mou'n—  
Chris'mas comin' soon."

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Christmas is always a rush time for the express company. The figures show that the volume of business in and out of Victoria is 30 per cent. greater than last year at this time. Outgoing business is at its height now, and the staff, already largely augmented, is doing three or four times as much work as at normal seasons. The incoming rush of parcels will not reach its height until Monday and Tuesday of next week.

Much more effectual work is being done this year by the Dominion Company on account of the new wharf warehouse and the larger premises occupied since last Christmas. The local office has kept pace with the flood of parcels, although to make this possible the staff has been working overtime and seven wagons have been kept busy within the city. Eight or ten wagon loads of goods are conveyed to the wharf from the office every day.

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### IN THE LODGE ROOM

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Meetings Next Week.  
Monday—Victoria lodge, No. 1.  
Thursday—Dominion lodge, No. 4.  
Friday—Christmas tree and entertainment, by Columbia lodge, No. 2.

Colfax Rebekah Lodge, No. 1.

The next meeting of this branch of the order will take place on January 14, 1913, when the newly-elected officers will be installed by Mrs. Jas. Wilby, district deputy president, and other assembly officers. There has been a considerable increase in membership in Colfax lodge during the past term, sixteen brothers and nineteen sisters having been initiated. The total membership of Colfax lodge at the present time, according to reports being compiled by the assembly officers, is 206. This will no doubt be a surprise to many of the members, who do not realize how rapidly the lodge is growing.

Columbia Lodge, No. 2.

Everything is in readiness for the Christmas tree entertainment on Friday evening next, and indications point to one of the most successful affairs ever held by this lodge. Notices were mailed this week to the individual members, and it is hoped all will attend. If by some chance any of the members have not received a notice, they should not let it stop them from attending, and are hereby invited to be present on Friday evening, December 27, at 7.30 o'clock. The committee has worked faithfully on the proposition, and the number who have come forward and offered their assistance has been most gratifying. Every member of No. 2 is working side by side with the members of the entertainment committee, and if the Christmas tree entertainment of Columbia lodge, No. 2, for the year 1912 is not a most gratifying success, most of the members will be Missourians for a time at least. Santa would like all the little ones to know that he will be on hand without fail. The musical numbers, recitations, etc., to be given by children of members of the lodge will be of a good quality. There will be others who will take part, and help to provide a pleasing programme for the entertainment. The various departments of the entertainment have been placed in charge of several members, who will see that everything under their direction will go along smoothly. The committee has endeavored to leave nothing undone, and is of the opinion that the arrangements are complete.

The third degree was conferred upon several candidates on Wednesday evening last, and the work was very well done. Columbia lodge will not meet again until the second Wednesday evening in January, when the officers will be installed.

Dominion Lodge, No. 4.

As predicted, the roll call of Dominion lodge on Thursday evening last was a decided success, over seventy members answering to the call of their names. There has not been such a large gathering of No. 4 members for some time, and some who have not been in the lodge room for years were seen once more in the old familiar hall, and from their remarks on Thursday evening, they will "get the habit" in future, and attend more regularly. The committee feels quite elated over the success of their efforts, and the likelihood is that a roll call will be an annual affair hereafter.

On Thursday evening next the initiatory degree will be conferred upon several candidates, and as this will be the last degree to be put on by the present officers, the Noble Grand hopes all members of the team will be on hand.

E. P. O. Initiation.

At local headquarters of the Brotherhood of Protective Order of Elks, official notice has been received that Victoria lodge will be instituted on January 3.

Loyal Order of Moose, Lodge 738.

This order, well-known for the social benefits it confers on its members, has just completed the furnishing and outfitting of its new home, next to the Fairfield block, opposite the city hall, Douglas street. It will inaugurate the new quarters by holding an informal smoker on the Monday preceding Christmas, December 23, and all good Moose are invited to attend.

While a suitable programme is being arranged, the reading room, the club room, fitted with two new pocket billiard tables, and ante-room, card tables, will alone be worth a visit.

Members who can sing are invited to bring their songs with them, and versatile members who can recite or otherwise contribute to the evening's enjoyment are asked to come prepared. Every Moose in Victoria is expected to attend and so make this a big success. Further entertainments are planned for the future and it is intended to have a weekly social gathering, including ladies' night, with dance, lectures and debates.

Order of Owls.

The regular meeting of the Order of Owls, No. 1333, will be held Monday, December 23, at the A. O. F. hall, Broad street, at 8 p. m. Every member will please take notice that the election of officers for the coming term will take place at this meeting, and every Owl is expected to be present.

Victoria Lodge, No. 84, L. O. G. T. held its regular session last evening in St. Barnabas' schoolhouse, corner of Cook street and Caledonia avenue. There was one R. A. into the order, Bro. A. Wilkie, chief templar, in the chair. After the routine business was disposed of, the programme for the evening was taken up, it being town council election. The returning officer being chosen, the four candidates then outlined their respective platforms on the pressing civic questions of the day, "Day vs. contract work"

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and "The Suffragettes" being carefully handled, one candidate incidentally alluding to the almost prohibitive prices being paid for school sites now, which ought to have been secured years ago, through the short-sightedness of the policy in the past. The question of street-widening hold-ups, and automobiles for civic work was also touched upon; even a "drunk" getting an automobile ride now. The voting taking place, after a few questions were put to the prospective candidates, who were all running in the interests of the people, and not for themselves. The results of the election will be known next week.

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**The Governor's Lady.**

Emma Dunn, who plays the title role in David Belasco's production of "The Governor's Lady" at the Republic Theatre, has scored such a success that it is likely to become as much of a classic as "Peter Grimm." For sheer sweetness and simplicity, for loveliness of soul, for womanly courage and heroism, David Belasco has never given the theatre-goer anything to compare with the character of Mary Slade. At the expiration of the engagement at the Republic Theatre Mr. Belasco will send "The Governor's Lady," with Miss Dunn and the rest of the original cast, on tour.

**"Naughty Marietta."**

"Naughty Marietta," a comic opera in two acts by Victor Herbert and Rida Johnson Young, produced under the management of Oscar Hammerstein and with Florence Webber in the stellar role, supported by a company of sixty vocalists and a special orchestra, is one of the big musical attractions booked for this city. Mrs. Young has placed her story in New Orleans during the early Colonial times, when adventure held full sway and she has involved a story which is picturesque, romantic, powerful and yet full of good, clean fun. For this, Mr. Herbert wrote his best comic opera score—for his music is full of melodious gems, both artistic and fascinating. Mr. Hammerstein has done his part by providing an elaborate production and the best talent available for the many characters and Miss Webber realizes every possibility of the part of Marietta; in fact, competent critics through the country who have seen her as Marietta marvel at her wonderful performance of the difficult role and shower her with praise for the man-

music, the variety and novelty of the dances, the interesting story, the strong cast and the manner in which the piece has been staged. "The Kiss Waltz" has been a long time in coming, but the management realized the importance of the property and spent much time in selecting a cast and rehearsing the principals and chorus.

No better evidence of the popularity of "The Kiss Waltz" can be found than through the fact that wherever the opera is staged its melodies are at once whistled and hummed, and in the cafes and hostilities where music is one of the features during the dining hours, the leader always has the score at hand. The opera will be given here with an augmented orchestra, the same as in Boston, New York and Chicago.

"The Kiss Waltz" is the composition of the celebrated Viennese musician, Ziehrer, who wrote "Mile. Mischief" for Fritz Scheff, and it comes to this city after record engagements in Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia and at the home of American musical comedy, the New York Casino. The American adaptation is by Edgar Smith, the lyrics are by Matthew Woodward, and Melville Ellis designed the magnificent gowns which are, perhaps, more responsible for the success of the new Casino operetta than any one other detail save the composer's delightful music and the lovely Valeskas personal charms. The noted star will have an exceptional supporting company.

According to the story of the operetta, Guido Spini, a handsome young composer, has just written a musical composition called "The Kiss Waltz" and is captivated all the women at a certain hotel on the Riviera, where he is the leader of the orchestra. Nella, Baroness von Barnau (Miss Suratt),



VALESKA SURATT, AT VICTORIA THEATRE THURSDAY, DEC. 26

tentious of any Casino production sent on tour.

**Princess Theatre.**

Unusual interest is felt in the coming production of "The Barrier" at the Princess next week. It is one of Rex Beach's thrilling plays, and has never before been seen at popular prices. There is abundance of action with a vein of comedy, and a pretty love story interwoven.

The plot centres about Nella, supposed daughter of John Gale, a squawman and keeper of a small store at a trading post on the Yukon. Capt. Burrell, of the United States army, stationed at the trading post, falls in love with Nella and his feeling is reciprocated. He learns later that Nella is supposed to be a half-breed, and then ensues a struggle between his love for her and his duty to his family. The situation is complicated by the arrival at the post of Stark, Nella's real father, who, several years before, had murdered Nella's mother and fastened the crime on John Gale. Miss Page will have the strong acting part of Nella, which calls for the display of varied emotions. Miss Rice is cast for Alana, the Indian woman. Mr. Val Howard will be seen as Capt. Burrell. This is Mr. Howard's first appearance with the company, but as he comes very highly recommended from first-class stock companies in the East, there is no doubt that he will meet with success. Mr. Belasco as John Gale, Mr. Van Dyke as Poleon Dorel, Mr. Alden as No Creek Lee, Mr. Williams as Corporal Thomas, Mr. Ripley as Stark have all very important parts. "The Barrier" is no ordinary play and should be received with great favor by the patrons of the house. It will run all week with Wednesday and Saturday matinees. Reserved seats will be on sale at the box office all day Christmas.

The accompanying is an excerpt which deals with Claude Cunningham, who is to appear in concert here on January 10, under the auspices of the Ladies' Musical Club, in conjunction with Mme. Rider-Kelsey:

"There was another occasion when Cunningham proved himself a real hero, when he probably saved the lives of thousands of people. It was during a performance at the immense Madison Square Garden, New York City, and the occasion was the last National German Seegerfest. While the baritone was singing an aria with the orchestra to an audience of over 33,000, a temporary box crushed and fell to the floor with a crash, carrying four persons with it. Immediately more than half of the colossal audience sprang to their feet and started for the doors. Some of the orchestra men even rose and the conductor was for stopping and saving his happy

German life. But Mr. Cunningham turned to him and, while continuing the dramatic aria, substituted for the words a text of command to proceed as though nothing were happening. He literally sang that audience into a peaceful frame of mind and averted what promised to be a hideous panic. Of course, the newspapers were full of it and within a week the baritone received several hundred letters of thanks from persons who were present."

**The Empress.**

The headline attraction at the Empress theatre during the coming week is a sketch entitled, "Snowed In," a scenic novelty which stars Fred and Eva Mozart. They have a novel feature, being the original show-shoe dancers. The act opens in a hunter's cabin in the mountains. Heine, the mountaineer, is snowed in and longing for a sight of his sweetheart, Steinie. In a vision she comes to him, dancing, and he awakens to find her gone. In the second scene, which shows the mountains in winter, a beautiful stage picture he encounters Steinie while he is coming down the hill on snow shoes. Their snow-shoe dancing concludes the act.

A mirthmaker who is considered to be one of the merriest monologists and singers on this circuit is John Neff, who travels under the name of "The Brainstorm Comedian." He is a long, lank young man who is billed on the programme as "The World's Greatest Musician." Whether he is or not the audience has no chance to judge, for all his music is in threats to play. He brings many instruments on the stage, but never plays a note. He is responsible for much fun, however.

The Bimbos are a couple who furnish singing, dancing and eccentric acrobatics. Miss Bimbo is a clever little comedienne and her work adds much to the success of the act. She has a very good voice. Mr. Bimbo is an acrobat. His routine consists of several acrobatic feats and some funny business. There are said to be some surprises in this act, which has been making good all over the circuit.

The Quaker Maids are a couple of winsome young misses who supply some good singing numbers as they "Wait for the Robert E. Lee." They offer a neat singing act. Both girls are young and pretty and have not only talent but much magnetism.

Ed and Minnie Foster will contribute a bit of classical and more of the popular variety of music toward the success of next week's bill at the Empress. Mr. Foster is a comedian of the subtle order in addition to being a musician of ability, and is capably assisted by his partner, who is master of many musical instruments. The act includes much comedy work.



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ner in which she handles her phenomenal voice. Miss Webber, with full strength of Mr. Hammerstein's comic opera company, orchestra and all, comes to Victoria Theatre January 13.

**African Hunt Pictures.**

Direct from their big success at the Curt Theatre, San Francisco, where in four weeks the largest receipts known in motion photography were recorded, the Paul Rainey African Hunt Pictures will be shown at the Victoria Theatre for three nights, beginning January 23. Unprecedented is almost a mild epithet in describing these motion views of the wild beasts of Africa in their native haunts. The films are the results of Mr. Rainey's expedition to British East Africa. They were secured often through the exercise of cool and daring bravery. The scenes at the water hole, to which rhinoceroses, giraffes, elephants and monkeys come to drink, is one of the most remarkable and fascinating in the annals of photography. So also are those scenes presenting the cheetah hunt and the pursuit of an African lioness by the ferocious Mississippi hounds, which, according to Mr. Rainey, are a match for the most ferocious of wild beasts. The dogs chase the lion with the same alacrity with which they would pursue a fox in other climes. Matinees will be given.

**"The Kiss Waltz."**

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Rustem Pascha, Turkish ambassador at London, used to tell of an attack made upon him by a bear during a hunt in the East. The bear tore off a bit of the Turk's arm and a portion of his shoulder. Rustem solemnly averred that he suffered neither pain nor fear, but that he felt the greatest indignation because the bear grunted with so much satisfaction while munching him.

Grant Allen, whose scientific habit of thought gave weight to his words, says that in his boyhood he had a narrow escape from drowning.

While skating he fell through thin ice over a place whence several blocks had the day before been removed. He was carried under the thicker ice beyond, and when he came to the surface tried to break through by bunting his head against it. The result was that he was stunned, then numbed by the cold and so water-logged that artificial respiration had to be employed to restore him. These are the impressions as recorded by him with reference to the pain he suffered:

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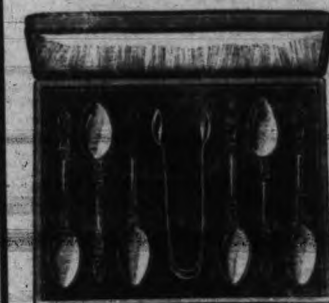
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## LINING UP FOR MUNICIPAL FIGHT

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Conflict Will Commence in Earnest After Festive Season Ends.

Although the holiday season next week will intervene before actual campaigning begins in the forthcoming municipal fight, the roster of candidates already commences to be filling up.

There appears to be no alteration in the position which has prevailed for some weeks, of a straight fight for the mayoralty between Mayor Beckwith and ex-Mayor Morley. If there is no intrusion of a third candidate a stiff battle is assured, as a majority of only 48 divided them in January last when the mayor had the full support of the most powerful political organization in the city. Since then many things have happened, and there are 1,300 new names of ratepayers on the register whose voting inclinations are an unknown quality. Preparations are under way in each camp for organization for the fight, and the mayor has already held preliminary meetings.

Three aldermen have announced their intention not to stand again, and with Alderman Stewart, Alderman Anderson, and Alderman Humber out of the field, the numbers have thinned somewhat.

Alderman Cuthbert will be back shortly, and then his intentions will be known. The other aldermen are all expected to seek re-election. Two former members of the board are probable candidates, Alexander Peden and H. F. Bishop. W. E. Fullerton, who was the senior alderman prior to his defeat in January, is regarded as a certain starter, and will command a large following. This week the candidature of W. C. Van Munster is announced, while both Trustees A. B. McNeill and W. E. Staneland who retire from the school board this year, have been asked to stand as aldermen. It is more probable, however, that the latter two will seek re-election to their present posts. The labor representatives to be placed in nomination are J. D. McDonald, Christian Stevens and George Oliver.

In addition to the two school trustees mentioned, Mrs. Jenkins, who has always polled a large vote since her first return in 1902, is the other retiring member. There will be a contest in this case, as the labor party has nominated Mrs. A. E. Clayton and John I. Martin.

The first public meeting will be held shortly, and there will be district meetings in the various suburbs as soon as people return to business from the Christmas holidays.

The Voters' League is expecting to announce candidates, when inquiries have been made among suitable men authorized at Wednesday's meeting.

## SCHOOLS CLOSE WITH SONGS AND JOLLITY

All Terminate Term and Commence Christmas Vacation — Two Give Programmes

Yesterday, in addition to the closing exercises at North Vancouver school, South Park school, and Kingston street school which took place in the morning, Victoria West school and Rock Bay school gave their closing exercises. At the former nearly 200 of the parents and friends of the children were present. Rev. J. Wood speaking to the children and congratulating both the principal, Mr. Salloway, his assistants, and the children, on the excellent performance which they gave, and concluding by wishing them all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. The following programme was given by the pupils: "O Canada," by the school; wreath drill, by the girls of division 3; Carol, "Like Silver Lamps"; Browne drill by the boys of divisions 7 and 8; character song and drill, "Daisy Maids," by the girls of division 7; Carol, "When Christ Was Born"; character song, "Little Jack Horner," by boys of division 6; Carol, "Cradled All Lowly"; tambourine drill by girls and boys of division 8; song, "Auld Lang Syne"; and the National Anthem.

Miss Lillian Ross, who is retiring from the teaching staff, was presented after the entertainment with a silver cream jug and sugar bowl by her colleagues, the gift being accompanied by expressions of good feeling and many hearty good wishes.

**Rock Bay School.**  
The principal's room at Rock Bay school was prettily decorated for the closing exercises, which took place there yesterday morning. The pupils assembling shortly before ten o'clock, and going through a very entertaining programme, which was followed with great interest by a number of the children's parents. The following was the programme: Song, "Merry Christmas"; recitation, "Santa and His Reindeer"; Elsie Smithers' recitation, "Who Is It?"; Robert Nunn's recitation, "My Grandmother"; Ruth Mungers' song, "Once Upon the Shepherd"; recitation, "Shoe or Stocking"; Arthur Bird's recitation, "Looking for Santa Claus"; Flora Price's recitation, "If You're Good"; division 3; recitation, "What I Should Like"; George Silburn's song, "O Come, O Come, Christmas"; David Wilson's recitation, "Christmas Stockings"; girls of division 2; recitation, "How They Watched for Santa Claus"; four boys and girls; recitation, "Good-bye," Edna McKay; song, "A Christmas Wish."

The exercises in connection with the closing of Luxton school were held last evening at the school house, Luxton. Residents to the number of sixty attended. A large Christmas tree laden with an abundance of good things for the children held a prominent place in the school room. This is the first time the school children of this locality have given a closing entertainment, and the great proficiency they showed last evening redounds to the credit of their teacher, Miss Irene Quackenbush.

### SAANICH SCHOOL MEETING.

**Roads Improvement By-law and Annexation Question Are Two Principal Subjects.**

The two principal items of business to come before the Saanich council this afternoon are the by-law for the permanent paving of trunk roads, and also the petition of owners in five sections adjoining Oaklands to be withdrawn from the Saanich area and transferred to the city.

The former proposal is favorably received, but the latter is certain to be opposed, at any rate so far as it refers to sections 24 and 35, which are not in the neck of land jutting out between the northeastern boundary of the city and that of Oak Bay municipality. They contain valuable assessed property which Saanich does not wish to lose, and there is also the fact that while several registered owners are agreeable to the transfer, residents occupying land under agreement of sale have not been consulted in the matter.

### REMARKABLE CLAIM.

**For Strip 120 Feet Long, Upon Which Stone Wall Stands, City is Asked to Pay \$1600.**

The land purchasing department at the city had had a surprise yesterday, accustomed as they are to large figures being asked for widening schemes. Recent litigation over the Dods and Ella cases on Fort street secured to the owners affected certain rights over the land, one foot broad, upon which the wall of their property stands. The court's decision awarded the owners \$400 for the stone wall which the city requires to remove, but left the question of compensation for the land to be agreed upon between the parties. The frontage is 120 feet, and the city is asked to pay \$1600 for the land. If the recommendation, already adopted is approved, the council will not buy the wall or land, and the sidewalk will be constructed round it.

## ROYAL BANK OF CANADA IN STRONG POSITION

Liquid Assets in Excess of 47 Per Cent. of Total Liabilities

The annual statement of the Royal Bank of Canada, which appears on our financial page, is sure to attract more than usual interest, as it is the first published since the Royal took over the Traders Bank.

Owing to the change in the fiscal year of the Royal Bank the statement is only for eleven months ending November 30, 1912. The outstanding feature is the particularly strong position of the bank as shown by the proportion of liquid assets in excess of 47 per cent. of total liabilities to the public.

Total deposits now stand at \$137,831,667, showing large increases over the combined figures of the Royal and Traders at the end of last year. The net profits for the eleven months ending November 30, 1912, after deducting charges of management, accrued interest on deposits, full provision for all bad and doubtful debts, rebate of interest on unmatured bills, and general bonuses granted to the staff, amounted to \$1,527,324.77, being at the rate of 19.19 per cent. on the average paid-up capital of \$8,580,756.

The amount applied to the reserve fund totalled \$5,503,812, bringing the reserve up to the total of \$12,560,000, or 1,000,000 in excess of the paid-up capital at the end of the year of \$11,560,000.

With the balance carried forward December 30, 1911, the net profits for the eleven months and the premium on new capital stock, the total amount available for distribution amounted to \$7,432,617.32. This was applied as follows: To dividends, \$243,586.97; officers' pension fund, \$75,000; written off bank premises, \$300,000; applied to reserve fund, \$5,503,812; leaving a balance to be carried forward of \$610,219.34.

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### WEATHER BULLETIN

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department

Victoria, Dec. 21—5 a. m.—The pressure is abnormally high over this entire western portion of the continent from the Pacific to the Great Lakes, with centres of this area overlying respectively the North Pacific states and the lower valley of the Mississippi. Rainfall has been general on the Coast from Prince Rupert to the Columbia river, and snow has fallen on the American plateau lands. East of the Rockies the weather is fair and cold.

**Forecasts.**  
For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Sunday: Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate winds, chiefly cloudy and cold at night, with rain or sleet to-night of Sunday.  
Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, chiefly cloudy, with rain or sleet to-night or Sunday.

**Reports at 5 a. m.**  
Victoria—Barometer, 30.58; temperature, 32; minimum, 27; wind, 4 miles N.; weather, clear.  
Kamloops—Barometer, 30.60; temperature, 36; minimum, 30; wind, 4 miles S. E.; weather, cloudy.  
Kamloops—Barometer, 30.50; temperature, 32; minimum, 10; wind, 4 miles W.; weather, clear.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.22; temperature, 50; minimum, 46; wind, 8 miles N. E.; weather, clear.  
Edmonton—Barometer, 30.21; temperature, 34; minimum, 5; wind, 6 miles S. W.; weather, clear.

Winnipeg—Barometer, 30.22; temperature, 46; minimum, 6; wind, 4 miles S. E.; weather, clear.  
Victoria Daily Weather.

Observations taken 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m., Friday:

Temperature:  
Highest ..... 45  
Lowest ..... 33  
Average ..... 39  
Rain, .06 inch.  
Bright sunshine, 2 hours 36 minutes.  
General state of weather, fair.

### STRIKE SITUATION IMPROVES.

**Fewer Days Lost in November Than in October or in November, 1911.**

Industrial disputes in the Dominion during the month of November caused fewer days lost and affected fewer men than during either the previous month or the corresponding month last year, according to the report issued by the department of labor. The number of working days lost last month was 85,200, whereas in October the number was 98,000, and in November, 1911, over 140,000. The number of men affected was 3,900 in November, 1912, compared with 4,300 in October, 1912, and 11,936 in November, 1911. The most important strikes of the past month were those of the Vancouver Island coal miners, the "Forcible" miners and the Canadian Pacific Railway freight handlers.

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## NEWS OF PROVINCIAL TOWNS

### KAMLOOPS

Another human life has been added to the cost of railway construction in the Okanagan Valley.

On Wednesday afternoon of last week, while about his work at blasting, one of the workmen in Hildebrand's camp, situated above Naramata, was killed, and another probably fatally injured by a premature blast.

The story is that the two men had just completed drilling a deep hole in solid rock and had poured in a charge of powder, and as they commenced to tamp it down the explosion occurred. It is supposed that the drilling had sufficiently heated the rock to set off the powder. One of the men was blown to pieces, fragments of his body being scattered about. The other man, who was faintly injured, was brought to Naramata, and later taken to the company's hospital.

At a special meeting of the Board of Trade executive the matter of the appointment of a publicity commission for the city of Kamloops was freely discussed, the meeting being unanimous in its endorsement of the proposal.

W. T. Slavin, secretary of the Board of Trade, is visiting Ashcroft, Savona and other points west, as well as Chase, Natch Hill, and Salmon Arm, where he will lay before the people of these towns the proposals of the local Board of Trade to organize a publicity commission who will operate in the district. It is expected that the scheme will be endorsed by these centres when the importance of the matter is realized.

### DUNCAN

The first play presented Wednesday night by the Duncan Amateur Dramatic Society, "The Private Secretary," was a huge success in every way. Every seat in the Knights of Pythias hall was taken, and members stood in the passage ways. The play went with vim from start to finish. The private secretary, "The Rev. Robert Spalding," was most ably taken by Mr. F. C. Drake. "Mr. Cattermole" was splendidly acted by G. O. Pooley. "Douglas Cattermole" (his nephew) by F. I. Boyd, Mr. Sidney Gibson (tailor of Bond street) by J. Craig. "John" (man servant) by P. Jaynes. "Mr. Marsland, M. F. H." by T. A. Wood. "Harry Marsland" by F. Garland and Knox (waiter) by Mr. Saxton. White, were the other men's parts, all of which were well taken, the make-up in every case being particularly good.

Mrs. Hodge, who took a double role, that of "Mrs. Stead" (the landlady), and "Miss Ashford" did some exceedingly clever work, and was very amusing. "Edith Marsland" and "Eva Webster," her friend, by Mrs. Saxton-White and Miss Grace Stephens were very gracefully acted.

After the play a supper and dance were given by the club.

The adjourned general meeting of the Agricultural Society is being held in the agricultural hall, Duncan, at 2 o'clock to-day. Among other matters of importance discussed are the plans for the new agricultural hall.

F. H. Matland-Douglass won the Dundas cup at the Kokish golf club a few days ago. He holds the cup for one year. Captain Chambers won the monthly medal presented by the club.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Bannister, who are at present on their wedding trip, will come to their home on Quamichan lake before Christmas. Mrs. Bannister, who was formerly Miss Graham, has recently come from England.

A petition is now being circulated in the city to be presented to Mayor Duncan requesting him to allow his name to be again put forward for re-election to the office of mayor. The petition points out that the senatorial re-elections which have been commenced within the present year which can be best brought to a successful conclusion if the present administrative head of the city affairs is returned to power.

So far there is but little definite in-

formation available with regard to the intentions of the other aldermen of the city. We understand, however, that at least three out of the four of them will seek re-election at the forthcoming elections in January.

### PRINCETON

The B. C. Copper Co. have closed down much of the development work which has been carried on so vigorously during the past year at Volgt camp. A drill outfit is retained on the Ada B until certain work is completed. It is not known what caused the unexpected stop in the work, and the sudden summoning of officials to Greenwood and New York. The annual meeting of the B. C. Copper Co. takes place in February, at St. Nassan street, New York, and it is possible that certain reports have to be made in advance. Then there is a large payment on the bond agreement with E. F. Volgt, maturing on the 21st, and this no doubt requires the endorsement of reports of the company's mining engineers, Keffer and Weekes. Whatever the cause of shutdown may be, no one doubts the existence of a great mine on mine at Volgt camp and Coeur Mountain. The marvelous showings of ore have been the subject of much comment by wholly disinterested parties, and the permanence of the camp undoubted. It is quite probable that cessation of work is temporary, all the indications being in favor of the B. C. Copper Co. proceeding with the financial end of the deal as well as mining and smelting on a large scale in this district.

The Princeton Coal & Land Co. paid freight on their coal shipments over the V. V. & E. and Great Northern amounting to over \$15,000 for November, as against \$10,000 in October. The Vancouver shipments of coal continue to give every satisfaction. One car of coal was shipped to Coalmont last Monday and another is on order. The excellent qualities of Princeton coal please customers and the result is increased demand. It would not be surprising if this coal was shipped to Merritt, Nanaimo and Fernie.

### CHILLIWACK

David S. Dundas has sold the hotel building, business and good-will of the Hotel Royal, on Wellington street, to Cyrus W. McGillivray, a well-known man in Vancouver. The price paid is said to be \$47,000, and Mr. McGillivray took possession on Monday. A transfer of the license from Mr. Dundas to Mr. McGillivray is being advertised to come before the license commissioners on March 12 next.

Mr. and Mrs. Dundas, who are well-known in Ladner and New Westminster, having been in the hotel and boarding business in both places, have been residents of Chilliwack for about nine years. They ran the Commercial hotel in this city about half that time and some four years ago built the Hotel Royal on Wellington street, which they have been running as a licensed house ever since. The hotel is known throughout the coast district as one of the best.

Mr. and Mrs. Dundas, who have other property in this city, do not intend leaving here. This winter they intend spending in California and in the spring will visit friends in Ontario for a couple of months. As to their future movements, they are as yet undecided, but Chilliwack will be their headquarters at all times and their friends will see them here during the summer months at least, if not during the winters. They are now able to choose their place of residence as they please, and enjoy the fruits of a former busy life.

At the annual meeting of the Chilliwack Farmers' Institute officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, J. Bailey; vice-president, A. B. MacKenzie; secretary-treasurer, Horatio Webb; directors, R. H. Cairns, J. A. Evans, J. W. Gallo-way, J. A. Coatham and J. R. Walker. J. Bailey was appointed representative to the Central Institute at Victoria in January and A. B. MacKenzie was appointed alternative.

### FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

The annual meeting of the South Kootenay Farmers' Institute will be held in the school-house on Friday, December 27 at 1 p. m., when the election of officers will take place and the outlining of and discussion on the policy and work of the institute for the coming year, also the discussion of topics of general interest to farmers and fruit growers of this district.

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#### TO-DAY IN CANADIAN HISTORY

On this date, in the year 1814, Col. Proctor was tried by court-martial in Montreal, on five charges concerning his retreat from Sandwich (after the defeat of the British fleet on Lake Erie) and the disastrous "Battle of the Plaines" near Moraviantown, of which the brave Tecumseh is the accepted hero. The court found that Proctor "did not take the proper measures for conducting the retreat," that in many instances he "had been erroneous in judgment and in some ways deficient in those energetic and active exertions which the extraordinary difficulties of his situation so particularly required." (One of these difficulties was that his whole force of white men and Indians was outnumbered by the army of his opponent Harrison, in the proportion of more than three to one.) The court acquitted him "as to any defect or reproach of his personal conduct," but he was sentenced to be publicly reprimanded and to be "suspended from rank or pay for six months." A great omission on his part appears to have been neglect to burn the bridges behind him. The historian, Hannay, however maintains that he was unjustly condemned. Reinstated, he served again before the end of the war, and ultimately rose to the rank of lieutenant-general.

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### Birthday Congratulations TO

Douville, Mgr. Joseph Antoine Irene, M. A., D. D. (Nicotet, Que.); born, Ste. Anne de la Perade, 1838; superior of Nicotet College.

Frost, Hon. Francis Theodore (Smith's Falls, Ont.); born, Smith's Falls, 1842; Liberal M. P. for Leeds and North Grenville, 1896-1900; senator since 1903.

Gutelius, Frederick Pasmore (Montreal); born, 1854; general superintendent of the Columbia & Western railway, 1895-1898; superintendent of the Pacific division of the C. P. R. 1898-1900; engineer, 1900-1908; general superintendent of Lake Superior division, 1908-1910; now superintendent of eastern division; investigated construction of National Transcontinental, 1912.

Lachapelle, Emmanuel Persillier, M. D., LL.D. (Montreal); born, 1860; en. Recollet, Que., 1845; founder of Notre Dame hospital, Montreal; a knight of the Legion of Honor of France; active in civic reforms.

Lamarche, Paul Emile, B. Sc., LL.M., M. P. (Montreal); born, 1881; Conservative M. P. for Nicolet.

Lyman, Henry Herbert, M. A. (Montreal); born, 1854; druggist, entomologist, soldier and enthusiastic advocate of Imperial federation.

Macbeth, Rev. Roderick George, M. A., LL.D. (Montreal); born, Sault au Recollet, Que., 1845; founder of Notre Dame hospital, Montreal; a knight of the Legion of Honor of France; active in civic reforms.

Martin, Alexander Munro (Mount Forest, Ont.); born, 1852; Liberal M. P. for North Wellington, 1907-1911, when defeated.

Niblock, John (Calgary); born, Scarborough, Ont., 1849; divisional superintendent of the C. P. R.

Church robbery by tramps has become so common of late in Ireland that the police have to keep a special watch on places of worship.

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Clarence St., 50x135; a beautiful residential street. Price ..... **\$3500**

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McCasill St., large lot, having 114 ft. frontage on C. P. R. Ry.; 1/2 cash. Price ..... **\$4500**

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Simcoe St., near outer wharf, 5 room cottage and lot 60x121; 1/2 cash, for only ..... **\$5000**

#### FERNWOOD

Centre Rd., corner lot, 45x105, with modern cottage and stable; \$1000 cash, balance \$25 per month. Price is ..... **\$4500**

#### NORTH END

Rose St., corner lot and 6 room house, 1 block from Hillside Ave.; 1/2 cash, balance at 7 per cent. Price ..... **\$4000**

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Notice of Application for the Approval of Works.

TAKE NOTICE that The Portland Cement Construction Company, Limited, will apply to the Comptroller of Water Rights for the approval of the plans of the works to be constructed for the utilization of the water from China Creek, which the applicant is, by Water Permits No. 5 and 12, authorized to take, store, and use for domestic and industrial purposes, for use on lots 10, 11, 12 and 13, Malabar District.

The plans and particulars required by subsection (f) of section 75 of the "Water Act" as amended have been filed with the Comptroller of Water Rights at Victoria and with the Water Recorder at Victoria, B. C.

Objections to the application may be filed with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, Dated at Victoria, B. C. this 14th day of December, 1912.

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An exceptionally well situated lot, 71x 300x292.6; 1/2 cash, balance 1, 2, and 3 years; for ..... **\$5250**

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Albina Street, near Gorge Rd. .... **\$1500**  
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Empress Avenue, 7 roomed house, new and fully modern, on lot 60x120. Price \$6500, terms; or purchaser may have option of purchase of extra lot, making property run from street to street for \$1000 more, all on terms.

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### Notice to Contractors

Tenders are required for the erection of a brick school building for the Sannich School Board on Bolestin Road, opposite St. Mark's Church. Tenders are to be handed in at the office of the undersigned not later than noon of Saturday, December 28th next, and shall be enclosed in a plain envelope, marked on the front "Tender for Tolmie School."

All Tenders must be accompanied by a certified cheque, drawn on a chartered bank and signed by the Tenderer, which cheque shall be for five per cent. of the total amount of the tender, and shall be forfeited to the School Trustees in the event of the contractor chosen for the work refusing to enter into a contract.

The contractor chosen for the work will be required to furnish a bond for the fulfillment of the work, which bond shall be on the form used by the Trustees. The bond of the contractor will not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

Plans and specifications may be had at the office of the undersigned between the hours of 10 a. m. and 6 p. m. (Saturday, 1 p. m.)

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Chamberlain Street—New bungalow, 5 rooms, furnace, beamed ceiling in diningroom, all finished in first-class shape; terms, \$1000 cash, balance to arrange. Price ..... **\$4500**

Parkdale—Small house, 3 rooms, lot 50x112, facing south, reasonable walking distance from car; terms, \$150 cash, balance monthly. Cheap for ..... **\$1050**

Woodlands Avenue—Choice high lot, 60x120, near Moss street, paved street; reasonable terms. A snap for ..... **\$1900**

Cadboro Bay Road—Nice building lot, close to Uplands subdivision, alleyway in rear; terms. Cheap for \$1450

Monterey Avenue—Choice, level lot, some nice young fruit trees, a splendid situation; easy terms. Price is ..... **\$1500**

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Victoria Gardens—The choicest waterfront lot. Terms, 6, 12, 18, and 24 months. Price ..... **\$3750**

Garbally Road—Choice lot, 55x125, close to Douglas St. Terms, 1/2 cash, 6, 12, 18 months. Price ..... **\$3000**

Saratoga Ave.—New, modern 5 roomed bungalow, full basement, furnace, terms, \$1500 cash, balance can be arranged to suite purchaser. 1/2 cash is ..... **\$5500**

Monterey Avenue—Fins lot, 50x120, Terms, 1/2 cash, 6, 12, 18 months. Price ..... **\$1700**

Graham St.—Modern 5 roomed bungalow, full sized lot. Terms, 1/2 cash, balance arranged. Price ..... **\$4500**

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Level Lot on Shelbourne, 40x172; cash \$300. Price ..... **\$900**

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BEACHWOOD AVENUE, 50x110. Price ..... **\$1900**

COOK STREET, close in, 63 1/2 x 115. Price ..... **\$5250**

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# The Alvensleben Daily Gazette

Saturday Evening, December 21st, 1912

Ring up the curtain!

The last two or three years have seen a wonderful development in Vancouver Island, but it is obvious to most people that the real day of her prosperity is still away in the future, and that the opening of the Panama canal "will ring up the curtain" and give her the opportunity for which she has so long waited.

Then will commence the inflow of capital and the opening up of her vast resources in mineral, timber and agricultural products, with the rapid leap into prominence of the most central distributing points.

Look into the future just a few years and imagine yourself in possession of the property which we offer below:

**983 ACRES**

Of good agricultural lands, deep black, rich loam, all practically level, every square foot can be cultivated. Three miles from salt water, three or four miles of river frontage, good roads, two miles from good town, logging road through the property over which millions and millions of feet of timber MUST come over, no other way to get it out. In addition to this, being an excellent farming proposition there is about 15 million feet of red fir standing timber. This property is only one day's journey from Victoria, and at the

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**WHEAT RECEIPTS.**

When receipts in carloads follow:  
To-day, Last Year  
Winnipeg 224 224  
Duluth 67 67  
Winnipeg 67 67

**NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.**

(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson &amp; Co.)

New York, Dec. 21.

Open, High, Low, Close

Jan. 12.00 12.07 12.00 12.07

March 12.05 12.12 12.05 12.05

May 12.05 12.09 12.05 12.05

Sept. 12.07 12.07 12.07 12.07

Oct. 12.07 12.07 12.07 12.07

Dec. 12.07 12.07 12.07 12.07

**BANK STATEMENT.**

Average loans \$1,000,000  
Specie \$1,000,000  
Legal tenders \$1,000,000  
Net deposits \$1,000,000  
Reserve \$1,000,000  
Actual loans \$1,000,000  
Specie \$1,000,000  
Legal tenders \$1,000,000  
Net deposits \$1,000,000  
Reserve \$1,000,000

**NEW YORK SUGAR.**

New York, Dec. 21.—Raw sugar steady.  
Cane sugar, 30 test, \$4.45; centrifugal, 35 test, \$4.50; molasses sugar, 30 test, \$3.75; sugar steady; crushed, \$5.00; fine, \$4.95; powdered, \$5.00.

# Financial News

**NEW-YORK SHORTS****SEEKING TO COVER**

Investment Buying Increases in Standard Issues Showing Firm Tone

(By F. W. Stevenson & Co.)  
New York, Dec. 21.—Stock market displayed a strong tone early to-day with the disposition quite pronounced on the part of shorts to cover. There has been quite a little investment buying the past few days, particularly of Standard issues, which show a firm tone.

	High	Low	Mid.
Amal. Copper	77 1/2	75 1/2	76 1/2
Amal. Beet Sugar	53 1/2	51 1/2	52 1/2
Amal. Can. pref.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Car. & Foundry	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Ice Securities	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Smelting	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Sugar	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Tel. & Tel.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Tobacco	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Anaconda	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Atchafalaya	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. B. R. T.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. C. P. R.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Central Leather	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. C. & O.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. C. M. & St. P.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Colo. Fuel & Iron	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Con. Gas	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Distillers Sec.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Erie	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Do. 1st pref.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. G. N. pref.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. G. N. One city	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Inter-Metro	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Do. pref.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Inter. Harvester	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. L. & N.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Lehigh Valley	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Calif. Petrol	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Mex. Petrol	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. M. St. P. & S. S. M.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Mo. Pacific	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Nat. Lead	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Nev. Cons.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. N. Y. C.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. N. & W.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. N. P.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Pacific Mail	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Pennsylvania	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. People's Gas	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Pressed Steel Car	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Reading	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Rep. Iron & Steel	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Rock Island	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Do. pref.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. S. P.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Sou. Railway	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Tenn. Copper	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. U. P.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Do. pref.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. U. S. Rubber	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. U. S. Steel	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Do. pref.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Utah Copper	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Western Union	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Westinghouse	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Amal. Granby	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Total sales, 26,000 shares.			

**GRANBY JUMPS AND****DROPS BACK AGAIN**

Firmness Shown in Canal District and Other Leaders on Victoria Market

(By F. W. Stevenson & Co.)  
Victoria, Dec. 21.—Granby was two points up from yesterday on the local exchange this morning, which was a reflection of strength from Boston, the issue there going as high as 69. From that point the pressure of selling broke the market to 66.

There has not been any outstanding feature to the rest of the list during the past week. Coronation Gold is amongst the firmest, and confidence in the property on the part of holders and their indisposition to sell at present levels makes the market a tight one.

	Bid	Askd.
Amal. Dev.	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Can. Oil	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Canadian Northwest Oil	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Can. Pac. Oil & C.	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Alberta Coal & Coke	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Crow's Nest Coal	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. International Coal & Coke	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. McGillivray Coal	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. C. N. P. Fisheries	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. B. C. Packers, com.	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Balfour Patents	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Can. Pgt. Sd. Lbr. Co.	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Capital Furniture Co.	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. North Shore Ironworks	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Soft Spring Island Creamery	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Victoria-Phoenix Brew.	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. B. C. Permanent Loan	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Dominion Trust Co.	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Great West Permanent	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Stewart Land	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Island Investment Co.	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. F. C. Copper	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Granby	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Coronation Gold	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Lucky Jim Zinc	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Nugget Gold	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Rambler Cariboo	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Standard Lead	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Glacier Creek	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Portland Canal	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Red Cliff	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Shovel Star	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. American Marconi	69 1/2	71 1/2
Amal. Canadian Marconi	69 1/2	71 1/2

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**DULLNESS MARKS****THE CHICAGO PIT**

Argentine Surplus Now Estimated as Low as Ninety Million Bushels

(By F. W. Stevenson & Co.)  
Chicago, Dec. 21.—There was less stir in the wheat trade to-day. There was extreme dullness for a time during the morning. Bear leaders took advantage of this to force the market on the selling side. They only succeeded in having a reaction to \$1 for May. There was a rumor on the floor that the big harvesters interests had reason to revise the total figures on the Canadian crop. This was not seriously considered as there was no good authority for the statement. There was another report in circulation that certain authorities are estimating the Argentine surplus as low as 90 million bushels. There was a bullish report from Minneapolis saying the Market Record will claim in its issue to-morrow that 60 per cent. of the total spring wheat crop of the Northwest has been marketed. Northwest receipts heavy. The cables showed no special strength even from Liverpool, with continental cables easier. St. Louis reported sales of no red wheat at higher prices.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Dec.	88 1/2	89 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Jan.	91 1/2	92 1/2	91 1/2	91 1/2
Feb.	88 1/2	89 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Mar.	88 1/2	89 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Apr.	88 1/2	89 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
May	88 1/2	89 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
June	88 1/2	89 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
July	88 1/2	89 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Aug.	88 1/2	89 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Sept.	88 1/2	89 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Oct.	88 1/2	89 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Nov.	88 1/2	89 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Dec.	88 1/2	89 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Jan.	88 1/2	89 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Feb.	88 1/2	89 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
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### PERMISSION FOR BY-LAW DEVIATION

Plans for First Baptist Church Approved—Extension of Steele Street Rejected

Owing to the fact that the engineer's department will use the rear of the Duchess street fire hall yard, the city engineer obtained authority from the streets committee of the city council yesterday afternoon to build a stable, costing \$1,200 and a shed at \$200, to store street equipment at this point.

First Baptist Church.

The pastor, Rev. J. B. Warlicker, the architect, Jesse M. Warren, and members of the board of management of the First Baptist church, appeared before the committee with regard to the plans for the new building at the corner of Vancouver and Fisguard streets. They asked for approval of the plans as prepared under the old by-law, which was superseded in July.

A committee, which had considered the matter with the building inspector, recommended that a concrete floor should be added to the auditorium.

Although the plans provide for a Class B building, the committee decided to waive the proviso mentioned, and recommend the grant of the permit.

The cases of the other three churches building in the immediate vicinity were quoted as examples where Class B structures were in progress in the first fire limits. The additional expense involved in making the alterations proposed by the building inspector would represent \$5,000.

Steele Street Extension.

It will not be possible to proceed with the extension of Steele street to Delta street because the petition against the scheme contains more names, representing a larger assessment value, than those in favor. The difficulty thereby created is that the city loses part of the right-of-way for the proposed northwest sewer. The petition against was signed by owners representing \$20,000 in assessed value, and supported by owners with an assessment of \$15,500.

Fisguard Street.

The necessary petition for the widening of Fisguard street having been approved, the work will be undertaken at once, the city's offer to pay for the land advertised for expropriation being now acceptable to the owners.

Enumerate Streets.

The Northeast Citizens' Committee asked for the incorporation in the sewerage loan by-law of a number of streets not already embodied therein, including Annesbury street, Lang street, Oswald street, Edgware road, and Westhall street. The chairman of the streets committee, Alderman Stewart, and city engineer, were given power to act.

Owners Want Lane.

A large deputation from owners of property on a proposed ten-foot lane between Quadra street and Blanchard avenue, and half-way between Johnson street and Pandora avenue, requested the council to come to terms as to expropriations. It was decided to consider the arrangement, and come to a settlement next week. W. J. Hanna supported the application. The city has already approved of the scheme, and the plan showing the lane has been accepted and registered at the land registry office, but commencement has not been made with the work.

Subdivisions.

The committee adopted a recommendation from the engineer that in future when approving of subdivision plans that the streets should require to be graded, these grades to be approved by the city engineer. This is the practice of neighboring municipalities.

Third Street.

The engineer was given power to deal with a complaint from the Saanich municipality with regard to the con-

dition of Third street, east of Richmond road, where the northeast sewer construction work has left it in a bad way. The work will cost about \$500.

New Light Poles.

The British Columbia Electric railway was granted permission to erect light poles on the following streets: Queen's avenue, east of Douglas street; Cedar Hill road, Haultain street to King's road; Chandler street, St. Charles street to Paul Bay road; St. Charles street, Richardson street to Fairfield road; McClure street, Cook street and Linden avenue; and Fernwood road, north of Gladstone avenue.

Dallas Road Seawall.

On October 25 the engineer reported to the committee in reference to the sidewalk between the Dallas road seawall as follows: "The by-law for the improvements upon Dallas road calls for a concrete sidewalk 12 feet in width on the south side, opposite the seawall, and the plan attached to the by-law provides for this walk to be six feet from the curb line, leaving a space of 10 feet between the walk and the seawall. It occurred to me that it would have been better to have this walk constructed close to the wall, but under the by-law the solicitor informs me that this cannot be changed, so the walk will have to be built as provided for."

He therefore recommended that the part of the by-law dealing with the boulevard and sidewalk behind the wall should be closed up, and a proper sidewalk constructed next year. The recommendation will be adopted and the work charged to general revenue.

Waterfront Privileges.

Although Mr. Whitte attended to urge a reconsideration of the application of Dr. Loehlein and Mr. Barnsley for approval of modified plans for a right of foreshore on Victoria Arm, which it is proposed to fill in after constructing a retaining wall, the committee held to a previous refusal. The engineer continues his objection on the ground that the proposal would lead to obstruction to navigation.

The aldermen also took the ground that the city was not justified in permitting private parties to enclose portions of the Victoria Arm waters for water privileges.

### SHORTEST DAY IN THE YEAR.

This is the shortest day in the year for all the inhabitants of the northern hemisphere. The sun will shine in Victoria (theoretically) exactly 5 hours and 15 minutes, although indications in the forenoon were that for a good portion of the 8 hours the sun would have to shine through heavy clouds. As a matter of fact so far as human observation can detect the length of daylight does not vary for four days at the winter solstice.

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Ottawa, Dec. 21.—According to a general summary issued by the mines branch there is a falling off in the mineral production of the Dominion for last year, when the total production was \$103,220,994, being \$2,602,929 below the previous year. The number of men employed in mines was 64,578 and the wages paid amounted to \$36,965,904.

### HAMBURG UNIVERSITY.

Hamburg, Dec. 21.—The senate has adopted the proposal to found a university here consisting of three faculties—law, philosophy and colonial science.

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